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## DIVORCE LAWS

WHY HONG KONG HASN'T ANY  
NOT NECESSARY HERE

Different Status in Some Other Colonies

ANTECEDENTS OF JURISDICTION ACT OF 1926

[By "Li Chung-yin"]

Hong Kong has no divorce laws. Our sister Colony of the Straits Settlements (commonly referred to for convenience as Singapore) has—in a limited form. India's divorce laws are more advanced, approximating somewhat to conditions at Home.

Shanghai, not being a Colony, comes into a different category altogether, but it is interesting to know that His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court in China was endowed a few years ago with divorce jurisdiction.

Our legislators know best whether legal machinery to obtain separation is desirable.

The outstanding reason why there is no such provision and that, as far as is known, the subject has never even been discussed here is that there are very few people who live permanently in Hong Kong, whose marriage fundamentals are more or less similar to those of the British people.

## CHINESE AND DOMICILE

Prior to December, 1926, India had power to grant divorces. There was an appeal and the Appeal Court at Home gave a decision the effect of which was to invalidate, in Great Britain, the decrees granted by the Indian Courts to persons living in India but domiciled in Great Britain. [The Indian Courts had granted a number of decrees to persons who had subsequently returned to Great Britain before it was held that such Courts were only competent to act in cases where the parties were of Indian domicile.]

Considerable agitation in India followed. Then the Imperial Parliament passed in Dec., 1926 the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Act.

The new Bill granted to the High Court in India jurisdiction to make a decree for the dissolution of marriage in cases where the parties to the marriage were British subjects domiciled in Great Britain, provided the grounds of the petition were in accordance with the provisions of the law for the time being in force in England, and there was proof that the petitioner resided in India at the time of presenting the petition, that the place where the parties to the marriage last resided together was in India and that either the marriage was solemnized in India or the adultery or crime complained of was committed in India.

Before the Act of 1926, therefore, the Indian Courts were only competent to act in cases where the parties were of Indian domicile. The new Act extended the scope to parties who subsequently went Home, but of course, with the proviso stated in the preceding paragraph.

Can Be Extended  
Singapore did not go so far. It is interesting to recall that although the Act was designed to meet a problem which had arisen in India the following section was included:—

"His Majesty may, by Order in Council, provide for applying the foregoing provisions of this Act, subject to the necessary modifications, to any part of His Majesty's Dominions, other than a self-governing dominion, in like manner as they apply to India and, in particular, any such Order in Council may determine the court by which the jurisdiction conferred by those provisions is to be exercised."

[For the purposes of this section "self-governing dominion" means Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the Irish Free State, Newfoundland, and Southern Rhodesia.]

What action was taken in the Straits Settlements, how the Government sought expert public opinion and then rejected it, are told by the "Straits Times."

Insufficient Grounds  
In accordance with this section, the Secretary of State for the Colonies invited the then Governor of the Straits Settlements to take into consideration the question of whether it was desirable that the provisions of the Act should be extended to the Straits Settlements.

Sir Laurence Guillemard, in turn, sought the views of the Singapore Bar Committee and, after discussing the matter very fully, that body, in January, 1928, replied favouring the extension of the Act to the Straits.

Lawyer's View  
In both cases if the new Act came into force in the Straits, the women would be able to obtain freedom.

Following the announcement of the Straits Government's decision the matter was again discussed at the annual meeting of the Singapore Bar and the following resolution was passed and a copy forwarded to the Colonial Secretary:—"This meeting disapproves with the advice given by Government to the Secretary of State and considers that the extension to this Colony of the Indian and Colonial Jurisdiction Act, 1926, is essential and should be done at once and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Government with a request that the same be forwarded to the Secretary of State."

Request for Reasons  
This move elicited a request for reasons, and detailed statements were prepared and forwarded to the Colonial Secretary on July 18, 1928.

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## IMPORTANT COUNCIL CHANGES

MORE MEMBERS

"UNOFFICIALS" MAY BE INCREASED FROM 6 TO 8

"OFFICIAL" MAJORITY

Members have been provided where by the number of Unofficial members of the Legislative Council can be increased from six (the present quota) to eight.

This is one of several changes. Another is that the Official members can also be added to by two, giving a total of ten, and thereby retaining the Government's majority of two.

There are two kinds of Official members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, these being ex-officio (i.e., by virtue of holding certain positions) and "appointed" members. Included in the reforms which came into force on Jan. 4, announced in to-day's "Gazette" under "Additional Instructions passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet to the Governor," is the making of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs an ex-officio member instead of appointed member.

It is commonly known that when H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) went Home on leave last year he was to take up with the Secretary of State for the Colonies the question of the constitution of the Legislative Council.

The changes in the Letters Patent of Feb. 14, 1917, published to-day, are probably the result.

Executive Council  
At present the Executive Council consists of:—

Ex-officio:  
H.E. the Governor (President),  
H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
The Attorney-General,  
The Colonial Treasurer.

Appointed:  
The Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy,  
C.B.E. (Director of Public Works),  
The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs in place of Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., who is proceeding on leave after having acted as Colonial Secretary during Sir Cecil Clementi's absence).

Unofficials:  
The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., LL.D.,  
The Hon. Sir Shou-sen Chow, The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes.  
Under the "Additional Instructions," the Secretary for Chinese Affairs becomes an ex-officio member instead of appointed member. The number of appointed Official members and Unofficial members is not fixed, because H.E. the Governor is empowered to appoint "such other persons" who are members now or are appointed from time to time.

Legislative Council  
The constitution of the Legislative Council hitherto has been as follows:—  
Ex-officio:  
H.E. the Governor (President),  
H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
The Attorney-General,  
The Colonial Treasurer.

Appointed:  
The Hon. Mr. Creasy (Director of Public Works),  
The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G. (Captain Superintendent of Police),  
The Hon. Mr. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs in place of Mr. Hallifax).

Unofficials:  
The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, The Hon. Sir Shou-sen Chow, The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D.,  
The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.  
Under the changes, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs becomes ex-officio, making a total of six including the President. Appointed Official members must not exceed four in number—making a maximum of ten officials. Unofficial members may not exceed eight in number.

Whereas the term "Officer Commanding the Troops" has been used up to the present, the Additional Instructions now call him "Senior Military Officer for the time being in Command of Our Regular Troops within the Colony."

## END OF A SAD TRAGEDY

THE PROPERTY

MRS. MIAO'S DRESSES AND JEWELLERY

TO GO TO HER BROTHER

Keswick, yesterday.  
The magistrates have ordered the property of Mrs. Wai-sheung Miao (nee Shu) including various dresses and about \$4,000 worth of jewellery, be handed over to her brother, Siu Poy-lan of Hong Kong, subject to the production of letters of administration.  
Chung Yi-miao's property will be sold.—Reuter.

## OUR PROMISE

OFFICIAL INTIMATION HAVING BEEN RECEIVED THAT THE PROSECUTION OF CARVALHO, YEO, THE "UTTERER" OF FORGED TREASURY CHEQUES, HAS CONCLUDED, THE MATTER IS NOW NO LONGER SUB JUDICE.

THE "CHINA MAIL" HAS, ACCORDINGLY, DECIDED TO PUBLISH THE LIFE STORY OF THIS REMARKABLE MAN ON MONDAY, JAN. 14.

OUR PROMISE TO READERS WILL THEN BE KEPT. ITS FULFILLMENT WAS DELAYED BECAUSE THE WITHDRAWAL BY THE CROWN OF THE SECOND INDICTMENT (IN THE "WATER ACCOUNTS" CASE) HAD ONLY BEEN MADE PUBLIC THIS WEEK.

READ THE ASTOUNDING NARRATIVE OF CARVALHO, YEO'S CAREER IN MONDAY'S "CHINA MAIL."

## RELIEF FUND

LORD MAYOR OF LONDON'S STATEMENT

LARGER SUM NEEDED

London, yesterday.

The Lord Mayor told a meeting of Mayors at the Mansion House that despite the remarkable response to the appeals on behalf of the Coalfields Distress Relief Fund, which is at present \$465,000 including contributions from the Dominions and America, the magnitude of the distress will necessitate a much larger total than the funds has yet reached.  
He added that the constitution of the Fund would be revised in view of the national character it had assumed.—Reuter.

## THE KING'S CONDITION

"No Change"

London, yesterday.  
A bulletin issued at 8.15 to-night states:

The King had a restful day and there is no change to report in his Majesty's condition.—Reuter.

## RUBBER MARKET

SHARP RISE IN PRICE IN LONDON

SHARES IMPROVE

London, yesterday.  
A feature of the London markets to-day was the sharp rise in the price of rubber, which jumped from 9.1/16d per lb. to 10d. before reacting to 9 3/4d.

The arrivals of rubber since the abolition of restriction have been much lower than anticipated and at the same time, trade demands are increasing.  
Rubber shares improved substantially in sympathy.—British Wireless Service.

London, yesterday.—The State Council at Buckingham Palace has approved of the appointment of Mr. Alfred Sze as Chinese Minister in London.—Reuter.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.

## SALVATION ARMY CONTROVERSY

THE DEPUTATION

"OBVIOUS INTENTION" OF THE HIGH COUNCIL

IMPRESSIVE MEETING

London, yesterday.  
A deputation from the High Council of the Salvation Army to-day visited General Booth, the aged leader of the Army, and conveyed to him the resolution passed unanimously yesterday by the Council suggesting that he should retire from office.

The meeting took place at the house at Southwold on the Suffolk coast which the General has occupied during his illness.

The delegates were conducted to the General's bedroom. Advancing in single file each bent over the sick bed, clasping the General's hand and expressing wishes for his recovery. The President then set before the General the High Council's resolution.

It was agreed that the decision should be postponed until Monday.—British Wireless Service.

"The Obvious Intention"

Reuter telegrams state:  
The text of General Booth's letter says that if he had been asked to resign, instead of the Council being convoked with the obvious intention of depriving him of power and appointing his successor, it would have been a very different matter, and personally he would not have regretted the request. A few months must elapse before he would be able to return to his post. "Will you give me time?"

He proceeds to propose the appointment of Council of five and state that he was prepared to appoint a commission to inquire into desirable changes of the constitution, as requested by Eva Booth's memorandum of October, 1927, which had engaged his constant attention until he was taken ill.

The "War Cry"  
It appears that 20,000 copies of the "War Cry," containing General Booth's letter to the Council, were printed before the Council were aware of it. The Council immediately took steps to stop the printing and ordered the destruction of all copies run off.

King's Council has been retained on General Booth's behalf.  
Further Details  
Commander Eva Booth, who had not seen her brother, General Booth, since her arrival from America, motored to Southwold to-day and was in the General's house when the High Council's deputation arrived, but had not seen the General.

A statement, issued on behalf of the latter by his nurse Brigadier Smith, states that General Booth received the deputation "calmly and wonderfully like the saint of God he is." He listened carefully and announced that he would reply on Monday. General Booth heard of the Council's decision yesterday evening from his wife and took it very calmly, only saying "I wonder who is in this." When the deputation arrived he prayed with them for their families and seemed quite undisturbed by their statement.

Brigadier Smith added that she is convinced that General Booth will completely recover.  
Eva Booth left the house shortly after the deputation with tears in her eyes.  
Council's Nominee  
It is noteworthy that Miss Eva Booth is mentioned as the Council's probable nominee for the succession.—Reuter.

TRADE AGAIN?  
THE TRUTH ABOUT THE WAR IN SZECHUAN

WANHSIEN NOW CLEAR

A Royal Naval communiqué from Wanhsien, on the Upper Yangtze River, in Szechuan province, confirms that General Yang Sen did definitely evacuate the port with his troops (to make a detour inland presumably). It is hoped the communiqué adds that trade will resume at that port immediately with the canal well removed.

VARIABLE WINDS  
"N. E. or variable winds, moderate to light, fine to cloudy," is the forecast for Hong Kong, the adjacent coast, and Formosa Channel, for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

## IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

"First Houses for Twenty Years." Even our local back-layers do not take as long as that.

Some people, says a paper, solve their troubles best when in the bath. Others, on the other hand, merely get into fresh hot water.

There is a new movement against beards. Alas, our gallant hair-men!

"Gramophone Dispute Settled." After the use of many sound-ing phrases.

Russia is reduced to ration cards. But does this mean that she is rational at last?

Senorita de Alvarez has had her first lesson in flying; but not her first in driving an object through the air.

A company report describes a "Drop of More than 220,000 Gallons." Rather more than a drop in the bucket.

A show has been held by the French Bulldog Club in London. The French bulldog should not be confused with the John Bull dog.

An English cat-burglar, working in Switzerland, used to pose as roof-mender. He is now to be taught to mend, not his roof, but his ways.

Any proposal from Russia may be taken as Red.

"\$150 Lost on a Golf Course." But some people even lose their tempers.

"Seventeen Editors Arrested." But, for their papers, what an arresting headline!

Lady Oxford says, "Rest cures are bad for everybody." Oxford against the Rest.

There has been a golf competition for policemen, who are always interested even in the links of evidence.

There has been a fire in a pillar-box. It is thought that a new coat of paint made it red hot.

"Fire at Rugby" is the headline exhortation which is evidently by a fanatic for Soccer.

A well-known pantomime artist boasts that this is his second season with the same wife.

The River Volga has overflowed, and the villages along the banks think it is Volga without being funny.

"Cold Fish Redressed." Sautely?

"Motorists Object to Trees." A rooted objection?

Good-Bye to Grey Hair." As the man said when he became completely bald?

2500 worth of jewels was found in the street by a lamp-lighter. The bright lad.

Burglars who entered a school got away with three pairs of boots. Soled again?

A court witness referred to "the lady who hit me with a broom." Sounds like a crush with the enemy.

The European car industry is, we see, "making rapid strides." The car may even exceed the speed limit.

"2300 Speech from Canada." We know now what is meant when a speaker is thanked for his "valuable remarks."

A doctor says our judgment is often at fault because we do not sleep enough. Business men will now be advertising for sleeping partners.

It appears that in Russia wives are not expected to obey. Mr. N. Pock says that would like the address of somewhere where they are.

"Break of 787." And heart breaker for his opponent.

Britain now leads in very small cars. In fact, Britain builds bonny babies.

The Sherlock Holmes stories may now be had in one volume. The ideal Holmes.

Paris is to have a street below the surface. We have heard before of the Paris underworld.

France has ordered her generals to dress with magnificence. Most generals do on their night out.

The centenarian cemetery superintendent says he has never travelled by motor car or aircraft. He prefers to cater for those who do.

A man complained that, being single, he could not get the dose, and, being 49, he was too old to marry. It looks as if the poor fellow might be forced to work.

Some romances have a sad end, and some a week-end.

"Love interferes with women's work," said Miss Margaret Bond-field. "What other work have they?" asked the bad man.

A paper says that some of the costumes at a big ball were "well worth seeing." What you could see of them!

"Why must English actresses be such perfect ladies?" asks a dramatic critic. Because it is easier than to be perfect actresses, one would suppose.

"Here," said the waggish poultry-man, as he seized a fat turkey with one hand and swung his axe with the other, "is where I do my Christmas chopping early!"

"Turf Romance" is a headline. Yes; we have heard those romances of the Turf. They generally begin, "I've just been told an absolute stone cert, for the 2.30...."

Some people complain that the colour of the new notes comes off on their hands. Money often sticks to somebody's fingers.

A headline said: "\$10,000,000 Lost in Wall-street." There seems to have been gross carelessness somewhere.

Prisoners in Sing Sing have entertainments provided and are allowed to play games and to smoke. This is voted capital punishment!

The detective who referred to a coloured prisoner at London Sessions as "a scoundrel of the deepest dye" used quite the right word.

Mr. Cochran may charge 24s. for a stall at his revues, but he faints dead away when he reads that a seat on the New York Stock Exchange sold for \$116,000.

Weekly Wellerism:—"Business is looking up," as the man with the penny-a-peep telescope said.

"Marriage is Not a Brilliant Joke," cries May Edginton. Rather a poor one, in fact.

Mr. Dennis Bradley hopes that women will "leave men their trousers." Yes; after they have been through the pockets.

It is announced that Mr. Henry Ford is prepared to accept a suggested invitation to assist in a financial reconstruction scheme for the Chinese Nationalist Government at Nanking. After which he may have the job of reconstructing our finances.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation, to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hong Kong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinances (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and, if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,  
A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public and Bank Holidays excepted) in Hong Kong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, Prince's Buildings, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmatory meeting.

**NOTICES.****DIVIDEND NOTICE.****HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 19th January to TUESDAY, 5th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
L. S. GREENHILL,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 11th Jan., 1929.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB****ANNUAL RACE MEETING.**

25th, 26th, 27th February and 2nd March, 1929.

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Hong Kong, 15th Dec., 1928.

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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government radio station on the Peak, the wave-length being 300 metres. The call sign of the station is G.O.W.

1.48 p.m.—Weather Report.  
5.30-6.30 p.m.—Demonstration Programme.

7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m.-10.30 p.m.—Evening Programme (Columbia Records).

"Show Boat," Selection Drury Lane Orchestra.

8.10 p.m.—Dance music.

8.40 p.m.—Mr. Potter visits Southend—G. Potter, entertainer.

Dance music.

9 p.m.—"My inspiration is you," "A kiss before the dawn." Squire Octet.

Dance music.

9.35 p.m.—"My old Kentucky Home," "Carry me back to Old Virginia." The Century Quartette.

Dance music.

10 p.m.—News bulletin.

Dance music.

God Save The King.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

**VACCINATIONS****ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE****LATEST RETURNS**

The number of Chinese vaccinated free of charge by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, from Dec. 8 to Jan. 11, is as follows:—  
Chinese Y.M.C.A. division .. 26,031  
King's College division .. 26,851  
Railway division .. 3,466  
Indian division .. 3,435  
Kowloon division .. 81,746  
Mongkok division .. 92,053  
Shaokwan division .. 6,040  
Un Long .. 1,127  
St. Joseph's College division 6,245  
Victoria Nursing division .. 500  
Y.W.C.A. Nursing division .. 381  
Grand Total .. 247,861

**FANLING HUNT**

ON SUNDAY, 13th January, 1929, the Point-to-Point (January Cup) Meet will be at the Hunters Arms at 10.30 a.m.

**"ON APPROVAL"**

A.D.C.'S FORTHCOMING  
PRODUCTION  
WITTY COMEDY

This witty comedy was acclaimed by all the critics on its first production in April, 1927 as the best play that Frederick Lonsdale had yet written. It was described by the critic of the "Westminster Gazette" as "that rare thing a farce which is at the same time intensely funny and uncompromisingly intelligent." "The Daily Mail" called it the wittiest piece of writing that he had listened to in the Theatre for many a long day.

The story goes that after the great personal successes scored by Ellis Jeffreys and Ronald Squire in "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne," Lonsdale promised to write a play specially for them and that "On Approval" is the result. These two acknowledged leaders of their profession were supported in London by Valerie Taylor and Edmond Breen so that the cast was one of exceptional brilliance.

The A.D.C. are to be congratulated on their courage in tackling a three act comedy with such a small cast. It might, in fact, be regarded almost as impudence, but from what we hear of the way rehearsals are shaping the production under the mastery direction of Mrs. F. G. Hunt, herself an ex professional actress of considerable fame, the boldness of the A.D.C. is amply justified.

The cast will consist of Mrs. Edgar Davidson who played with great success the part of "Mrs. Ebley" in "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne," Mrs. R. E. Greensmith who had a great personal triumph in "The Sport of Kings," Mr. B. L. Seton-Watson, an actor of great experience, who has played many parts in Shanghai and Kobe, and Mr. M. M. Mas, whose performance as "Charles" in "Mrs. Cheyne" will be remembered by local play goers. Booking will open at Andersons on the 16th instant.—Contributed.

The body of Mrs. Henry George, of Colmore-street, Wrexham, was found by an Alsatian dog in Feltham Pukeston pool, near Wrexham, and later the body of her youngest son was found in the water.

A machine-gun, 21 rifles, 5 revolvers, a one-pounder shell, Mills bombs, and more than 1,000 rounds of ammunition were discovered in a house in Linden-street, Belfast, during a police raid.

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CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon. Friday, 18th January.  
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KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY. Sunday, 18th January Noon.  
HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 18th January Noon.  
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**MERCANTILE FLEET**

AN AMERICAN ADMIRAL'S VIEW

New York. — Rear-Admiral Louis R. de Steiguer, commander of the Third Naval District, with headquarters at Brooklyn Navy Yard, has joined the ranks of Americans who complain that foreign countries "show" no inclination to trade some of their naval bases off America's Atlantic coast as partial payment of their war debts to the United States. In a speech which he made at the Government Club the Admiral said that at every place where trade routes converged Britain had a naval base, and America found herself faced with such armed posts from Halifax to the Caribbean. The lack of such bases made it essential that America should have many light cruisers of wide-cruising radius. He asserted also that Britain had 1,280 merchant ships of over 2,000 tons, capable of twelve knots, all of which could be quickly converted into efficient warlike vessels. America, with a small war fleet, could only muster 235 merchant ships of such tonnage. "If all navies were abolished," he continued, "England would be much stronger on the seas than she is to-day. No wonder that there is so much talk of disarmament."

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The hearing was resumed by the Liverpool Stipendiary Magistrate (Mr. Stuart Deacon), of the claim by John Harper, a marine fireman, against his employers, a Liverpool shipping company. The claim made is for \$1, the terms of the summons being that Harper having been lawfully engaged to serve as a seaman on a vessel, claims the sum of \$1, being the balance of wages due between June 20 and October 23, 1928, for a voyage on the ship. The defending firm is supported by the National Union of Seamen, but it has been denied that Harper is backed by the Transport and General Workers' Union. On this occasion Mr. Maxwell Fyfe (instructed by Messrs. G. L. Lynskey and Son) appeared for Harper, and the defence was in the hands of Mr. A. R. Kennedy and R. J. White (instructed by Mr. Frank Daphne). Mr. S. Silverman watched the case for interested parties. Mr. Charles Jarman, secretary of the Liverpool branch of the National Union of Seamen, said on June 16 of this year, when the complainant, John Harper, joined the steamer; he was a member of the seamen's union, which was affiliated to the National Maritime Board which was partly representative of employers and partly of employees. It was a board for conciliation and discussion of matters affecting those interested in shipping. Under the existing arrangements, in order that a man should be engaged on a steamship the owners of which belonged to the National Maritime Board, it was necessary for the man to be a member of a union affiliated to that board.

With regard to what was called the contribution card, the complainant signed the document, and afterwards signed the articles along with two or three other men on June 18. After the document had been signed, it was generally taken to the master of the ship for his signature, after which it was transferred to the head office of the union in London.

Credited by Union. Having signed, the man was then credited in the books of the union with the amount set against his name. Leslie Steward, a delegate of the South Branch of the National Union of Seamen, said on June 18 of this year, when the vessel was taken on her crew, the contribution form was signed by Harper in his presence. After he had signed the articles, witness took the document to the master for his signature, and it was signed by the master in his presence.

To Mr. Maxwell Fyfe (for the complainant) witness said the last he saw of the document was in the possession of the master. Mr. A. R. Kennedy, K.C., who, with Mr. J. H. White, appeared on the instructions of Mr. Frank Daphne for the defence, said the question in this case was as to whether the deduction made was a deduction which could afterwards be challenged by the man. The deduction from a seaman's wage was not an unlawful thing. A seaman might agree that part of his wages should be applied in a particular way, and indeed looking at the document before them, the master's book, they saw illustrations of advances made to him at his request, and therefore deductions from the wages ultimately payable at the end of the voyage.

Here the deduction made was the result of an agreement and his first point, summarily stated, was on the assumption that the letter of June 18 contained a request which was revocable or which contained terms which were not binding. The matter did not end there; for in the course of the voyage the question was raised as to whether the deduction was, in fact, to be made for the purpose of paying contributions. It was not treated, indeed, as a matter already settled. It was a matter upon which the man himself, according to his own account, expressed dissatisfaction, but he ultimately agreed that the deduction should be made and he signed as his fellows had signed the deduction, as agreeing to it about October 19. It was with that actual deduction that they had now to deal.

Nothing Unlawful. In my submission, said Counsel, "There was nothing unlawful about that; nor do I conceive that it would be suggested if in the course of the voyage, if he agreed to such deduction, it was one

which could afterwards be impugned either because it was contrary to law or because the man himself had any power to revoke or withdraw from the agreement he had entered into."

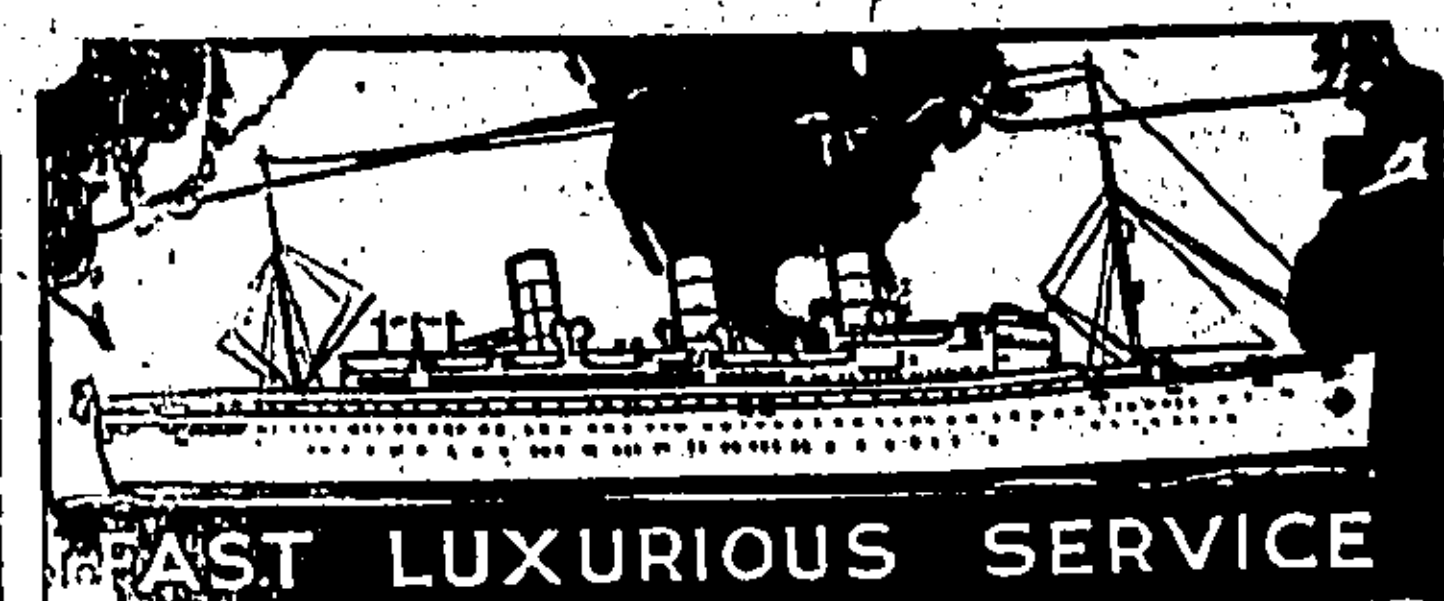
When the man reluctantly entered into an agreement the result was that he agreed that the deduction should be made from his wages in consideration of the shipowner, through the master paying the amount of money then in the possession of a shipowner, to a third party, the National Union of Seamen. "Thereafter the seaman cannot repudiate that it must be binding on him; he is really saying 'though I agree to do this, I now, when I arrive in Liverpool on shore, desire to repudiate the agreement I then made.' My submission is that he cannot do that."

With regard to the document as he understood the argument put before his worship at the previous hearing, it was said that if they regarded that document alone it was either an assignment under Section 163 or an authority to receive, and if it was an assignment it was not binding because it was an assignment prior to wages becoming due, and if it was an authority it was revocable at any time before payment.

What Happened on Shipboard. What he (Mr. Kennedy) relied upon was what happened on shipboard. The man had the deduction put before him and he agreed to it. Clearly that was an acting upon the document and the effect of the transaction, taken in conjunction with the relative positions of the parties, was that the ship on October 19 received for the union \$1. They received it either as agent or trustee. "I am certain of this," said Mr. Kennedy, "that if the union had thereafter brought a claim against the ship to hand over that pound the ship could have no answer whatever in any action, which would be naturally framed as money had and received for the union. The ship having no answer to any claim for that money, the man could not thereafter say, 'Tear up the arrangement.' It is too late; he has adopted it and affirmed it by an act which has put the ship in a position of liability which has made them the trustees for the money."

Answering the contention of Mr. Kennedy that an assignment of a pound by a man to himself and somebody else was not an assignment at all, the Stipendiary said he considered it was. The Legislature might desire to protect the seaman lest he should get into the company of an undesirable person and assign his wages to himself and that undesirable person. If so, that assignment would be a perfectly legal instrument unless revoked by him.

Mr. Maxwell Fyfe said Harper did not commit himself in any way that could bind him, nor were defendants entitled to act on what he did in signing that account. He agreed that this was a direction to pay, and as to the signing of the account there had been no evidence that the captain believed himself to be an agent for the union at the time. He would be Harper's agent to pay, and not the agent of the union to collect. This was an assignment of wages accruing which the seaman was at liberty to revoke at any time before it was acted upon, and it was not acted upon until November. The hearing was adjourned, the Stipendiary intimating he proposed to put judgment into writing.



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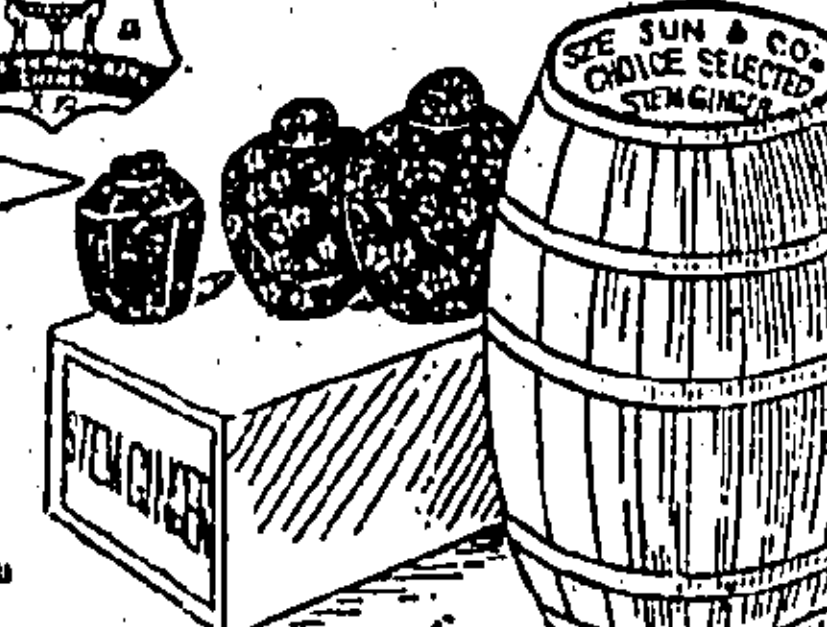
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### STILL WATERS

With the return to the Administrator Colony of Sir Cecil Clementi, it may be timely to re-echo general appreciation of the eminent services rendered to the Colony during his absence by the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern in the capacity of Officer Administering the Government. If we except the controversial Stamp Ordinance affecting share brokers, not one measure introduced during his "acting" regime has given other than most unqualified satisfaction. The hand of a diplomat and statesman has been writ large over every one of his actions and movements. In a sense, he has the same happy knack as the Prince of Wales in unconsciously "popularising" himself the whilst he maintains the highest traditions attached to the exalted office of Governor and representative of His Majesty the King. His many valued traits have tended in some measure to mitigate the doldrums consequent on the trade of the Colony not rising to the heights during 1928 that so many anticipated. Just a year ago, on many occasions calling for the exercise of acumen and tact it was felt that there was at the head of the Colony a man as well as an official—a man with an understanding heart, who could be trusted to do the right thing at the right time. Long may he be "on the job" during his career here!

Incidentally, it is a mouthful to be hoped that when next His Excellency the Governor goes on leave the official title of his deputy will be shortened on official utterances and official documents. "His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government" is indeed a mouthful in the age of labour-saving in language as well as in work. Why not call him simply "Deputy Governor" and be done with it? With the Navy and Army, there is no distinction made—the Governor and when

he leaves, his deputy are styled alike "The Governor." That seems the happiest solution after all, for he be Governor or Deputy Governor or Officer Administering the Government, he is still the King's personal representative and entrusted by the British Cabinet with the task of governing this Colony.

A Pressman Caught  
Whilst on the subject, and now that Sir Cecil Clementi is back amongst us, it may be permissible to tell this little tale even at the expense of an innocent fellow Pressman. On the day following His Excellency's departure for Home a certain Pressman accidentally overheard two high Naval officers and a high Army officer speaking of the arrangements made for "The Governor" to go aboard a certain warship at noon precisely. What on earth had happened to make Sir Cecil return post-haste, wondered the scribe, who fondly imagined that he, indeed was a "scoop" only his brother-pencillers would steer clear of him for a brief quarter of an hour. They were, however, unusually barnacle-like that day, as if they intuitively suspected that he and he alone had "something up his sleeve." It was two hours later before he succeeded in "losing" them all, and then ensued a hurried visit to certain exalted officers of His Majesty's Forces (which particular arm need not be disclosed). With bated breath, anxiety and excitement barely suppressed, did he enquire the reason for Sir Cecil's unexpected return—only to find that he had misled himself, and that by "The Governor" was meant the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, the newly appointed "Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hong Kong."

The "Dead not—have been the same irrepressible scribe who found a mare's nest in the same vicinity. One morning he was amazed to hear outside a certain Barracks at eleven o'clock the strains of "The Dead March," intermingled with the tolling of the bell, and then the solemn notes of "The Last Post." He waited and waited—and still there was no sign of the cortege. But he must find out all the details of the high Naval officer who had flown his ensign on the last time. With one eye on the barracks he ascended the hill, arriving at the office of a certain official—and bawlingly enquired who had passed away. In the superb language of the poets, he turned round and forcibly kicked himself on being informed that a certain Band of a certain Regiment had been only practising within the Barracks that morning evidently having been selected for funeral pieces—in sympathy with the then depressing weather, perhaps!

Equally, this may be a depressing note, but when one thinks of the dead, one does not expect that a layman can

supply the answer right away—even a high Municipal official has been known to hesitate ere replying: "I suppose they do." During the week the body of a small-pox victim was found outside the gateway of a block of residential flats in the Shamshuipo district. But one of the lady inmates thereof was alarmed in her fears of the spread of the contagion when she was told by a Sanitary Inspector that there was no danger, as the germs had died with the patient. But the mind inquisitive would naturally ask: "What about the patient's clothes?" (assuming, of course, he was wearing a certain amount when his body was ruthlessly dumped in the dead of night on the public highway.) Surely even a layman would know that there was a distinct danger in the clothes. It has been known amongst the Chinese for small-pox to spread through the simple act of taking clothes out of pawn a year after they were put in. The Sanitary Inspector quoted may be technically right in regard to a body, but perhaps he may be given "full marks" for omitting any mention of the clothes inasmuch as he succeeded in allaying for the time being, at any rate, the natural fears of a lady on finding that a body had been dumped just outside her gate. For, with smallpox, as with many other diseases, fear may work much havoc on nervous beings.

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of the next Agricultural Show much nearer Kowloon, so as to be more accessible to the residents of Victoria and Kowloon Point.

Its very name—Agricultural—implies of itself that the site must remain within the boundaries of the New Territories.

And that site must be one to appeal most not to Hong Kong office people but to the farmers and peasants who send exhibits and for whose ultimate benefit the Show is arranged.

"What do they know of Hong Kong who only Hong Kong know?"

What does the average office-wallah in Victoria know of the New Territories, and what does he care, to be quite frank, for the movement to improve the agricultural methods of the peasant folk of the New Territories? As matters are at present, how many of them take advantage of the fine work being done by the Horticultural Society, right at their own doors, in the way of improving and encouraging the growth of vegetables? How many of them have experimented even on a tiny patch of ground to prove what can be done in the matter of growing vegetables? The example of the Chinese, who are found growing vegetables almost anywhere, is lost upon them. More's the pity! And yet complaints are voiced of the paucity and dearthness of vegetables for the tables of the city office-wallahs. Rather let the latter be coaxed and encouraged to go out to the New Territories ("virgin soil" in the double sense to most of them) and see for themselves the splendid work that is being done to further the science of agriculture amongst those who have the land at their disposal for cultivation, but still persist in following the methods of the ancients. No—the Agricultural Show must not be permitted to degenerate into a mere Carnival Week to provide a Roman holiday only for those who earn their salary with the sole aid of an office pen.

It is passing strange

Mails via the number of residents who still stolidly decline to

take advantage of the Siberian route for the transmission of their mails. They are afraid to entrust their business documents and amatory epistles to the tender mercies of Soviet railway officials. The certain fact of much speedier transit, compared with the Suez Canal route, appeals not to them. But the truth remains that the Siberian route is as safe for mails to-day as the Bank of England, even for registered packets. Any delay in the latter is almost immediately known to the Post Office in the town of despatch, and to-day complaints are very rare indeed, although it is known that such was not always the case a year or two ago. Moreover, when the Canton-Hankow Railway is completed, it will be possible for the Home mails via Siberia to reach their destination in Hong Kong even quicker than at present, for then the sea journey from the Northern ports will be obviated. And—mayhap—a Hong Kong aeroplane will meet the train at Canton and bring the mails over here!

The Way of All Flesh

A powerful drama, written by Emu

famously, is being presented at the last night of the

Queen's Theatre. Other films also

having their final night at the

Queen's Theatre.

On Wednesday, January 30,

the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Praya East, at 6.30 p.m.

on Wednesday, January 30.

Mr. A. Stevenson, with Mrs. Stevenson and Miss Stevenson, have returned to the Colony and resumed residence at Pokfulam.

Many school chums and other friends of Stanley McNider will be sorry to hear that he is seriously ill at the Matilda Hospital.

Mr. Clarke Irvine's beautiful nature film will have a special screening in the World Theatre at noon to-day. Ordinary matinee prices are being charged.

The annual ordinary general meeting of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, February 5, at 12.30 p.m.

"The Wolf's Trail" is the title of the feature attraction to-day during the 2.30 p.m. matinee performance at the Star Theatre. Tomorrow at 2.30 p.m. Sir James Barrie's famous story "Peter Pan" will be screened.

DEATH BY FIRE

MEMBER OF ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

MILITARY FUNERAL

While destroying white ants with petrol at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, on Wednesday, Signalman H. White of the Hong Kong detachment, Royal Corps of Signals, became enveloped in flames and was removed to the Military Hospital where he succumbed to the very serious injuries.

Deceased was due to go Home by the next transport. He was a native of Reading, single and his father is still in Reading.

The funeral was held yesterday at Happy Valley, the service being conducted by the Rev. C. Scott Little, M.A., Chaplain to the Forces.

The 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt. furnished the band, the firing party and the buglers who sounded the "Last Post."

Among those present were Major J. C. P. Tosh, M.C., R.E., and Lt. A. J. Macdonald, R.E., and a number of Servicemen.

Wreaths were sent by deceased's father; the Royal Engineers; junior N.C.O.'s and men, 40th Fortress Company, R.E.; H.M.S. "Bruce"; R.E.O.C.A.; the R.A.O.C.; all ranks Hong Kong signal section, Royal Corps of Signals; all ranks R.A.S.C.; Capt. D. L. Carnegie.

REMAINS CREMATED

FUNERAL OF MR. G. A. LLOYD KAY

The remains of Mr. G. A. Lloyd Kay, chief wharfinger of the Kowloon Godowns were cremated yesterday after a service at the Protestant Chapel, Happy Valley. At the service were Mrs. Kay (widow), Mr. D. F. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cooper, chief mourners; Mr. F. H. Crappell, Mr. C. M. Manners, Mr. A. L. Burton, Mr. G. Castle, Mr. W. Carstairs, Mr. W. M. Groves, Mr. A. L. G. Eastman, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Mr. J. Mackintosh, Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, comprador, and his son, and other members of the Chinese staff of the godown company.

The following former colleagues of the late Capt. Lloyd Kay acted as pall-bearers—Mr. A. E. Greenway, Mr. D. MacKenzie, Mr. T. Ferguson, Mr. A. W. Heron, Mr. H. H. Fantham and Mr. F. T. Harris.

The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Horace Johnstone.

Wreaths were sent by his sorrowing wife and "Little Lloyd," Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Cooper and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Warren, the Directors, Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharves and Godown Company, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., the Hong Kong Philatelic Society, the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Chinese Commercial Union, and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

MACDONA PLAYERS

MUCH DISCUSSED PLAY AT THEATRE ROYAL

MRS. WARREN'S PROFESSION

The Macdonna Players scored a big success last night when the much discussed "Mrs. Warren's Profession" was presented before a crowded house.

The extremely difficult subject was treated with marked cleverness by the small but highly talented caste, and Miss Joan Hopegood in the title role, and Miss Daphne Carr as Vivie, were accorded a great reception.

Miss Joan Hopegood's acting was of the highest order, and her portrayal of Mrs. Warren is so convincing as to leave a very lasting impression.

As Vivie, the daughter, Miss Carr was at her best in the tensest situations, and this clever actress participated in the triumph of the evening.

The characters of Praed (Mr. A. S. Homewood), Sir George Crofts (Mr. Terence O'Brien), and the Rev. Samuel Gardner (Mr. Stanley Drewitt) were extremely well portrayed.

Mr. Arnold Walsh, as Frank, completed an extremely clever cast, but not always quite convincing.

The reception given at the final curtain was a fitting tribute to a brilliant performance.

To-night "Mrs. Warren's Profession" will again be produced.

ABYSSINIA

MAKES GOOD PROGRESS

ROAD PROJECT

Paris.—Mr. Addison E. Southward, U.S. Minister to the country that in English is called Abyssinia and calls itself "Empire of Ethiopia," stood at the side of the Emperor in October when he inaugurated the Imperial post office with all its modern services. On the other side stood the French Minister, and it is the French missionaries—Capuchin Friars of St. Francis—who have been handling the postal service until now under a French technical director.

Claims Descent From Sheba

This new Emperor is the gorgeous "Ras Tafari," who amazed Paris a few years ago with his white mantle and gold decorations. He has now taken the place of the aging Empress, who is not altogether up to date. He was indeed her heir and already governing. Like all Abyssinian monarchs, he descends straight from the Bible Queen of Sheba and King Solomon whom she visited to acquire wisdom. The Almanac of Gotha, which uses all German learning to set rulers in their places, says that this family tradition dates from the first mention in history makes of this Ethiopian empire 400 years B.C. The inhabitants became Christian before Rome was converted under the influence of Alexandria in Egypt and have remained so.

Ras Tafari had already been

accepted as a member of the League of Nations. Henceforth, its connection with the rest of the world by rail, telegraph, telephone and radio being secured, its post office enters into the Universal Postal League—as stamp collectors are aware.

Highway Being Completed

It is some time since the railway has been working from the port of Jibuti at the mouth of the Red Sea in French Somaliland to the Abyssinian capital at Addis Ababa. An auto line is being hurried through by Italy with the help of England, from a port in its own Red Sea colony.

This is another advance of civilisation. Five years ago it was thought something of a feat that Lieutenant Gustin Nelson, returning from the Philippines, should turn aside for a foot tour through this country, which was still isolated. Now it steps out beside ourselves in full Bible canonicals.

M.P. & MR. BRITTEN

INFORMAL MEETING PROPOSED

Washington.—Considerable interest was aroused in the House of Representatives recently by the announcement that Mr. Britten had received a cablegram from a member of the British House of Commons.

It suggested that an informal conference be held between committees of the British House of Commons and the American House of Representatives in an effort to work out a permanent disarmament plan.

The House of Representatives passed without a roll call the bill presented by Mr. Britten to modernise the battleships (Pennsylvania and Arizona) including the elevation of the guns at a cost of \$1,000,000.



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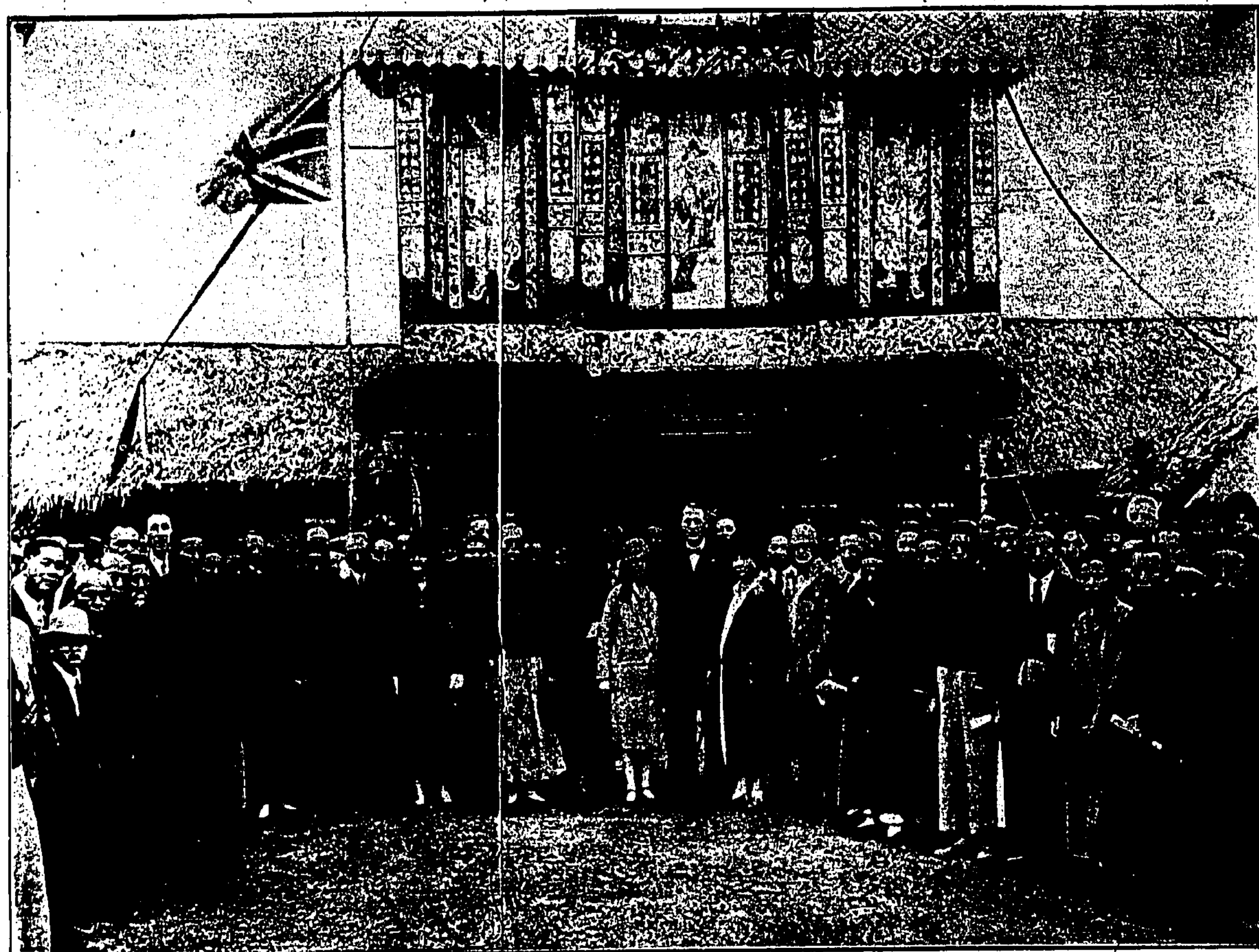
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**SECOND AGRICULTURAL SHOW IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.**—The main entrance to the stand last Saturday, in the form of a Chinese pai lau of decorative scaffolding. H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.), who opened the Show, is the tall figure in the centre, in front. On one side of Mr. Southorn, in a light dress, is Mrs. Southorn. On the other is Lady Ho Tung. Sir Robert Ho Tung, who welcomed Mr. Southorn, is to the left of Mrs. Southorn; he is wearing a long gown and jacket and holding a felt hat in his hand.—(A. Fong).



**MR. TERENCE O'BRIEN** of the Macdona Players as "Wu Li Chang" in "Mr. Wu."



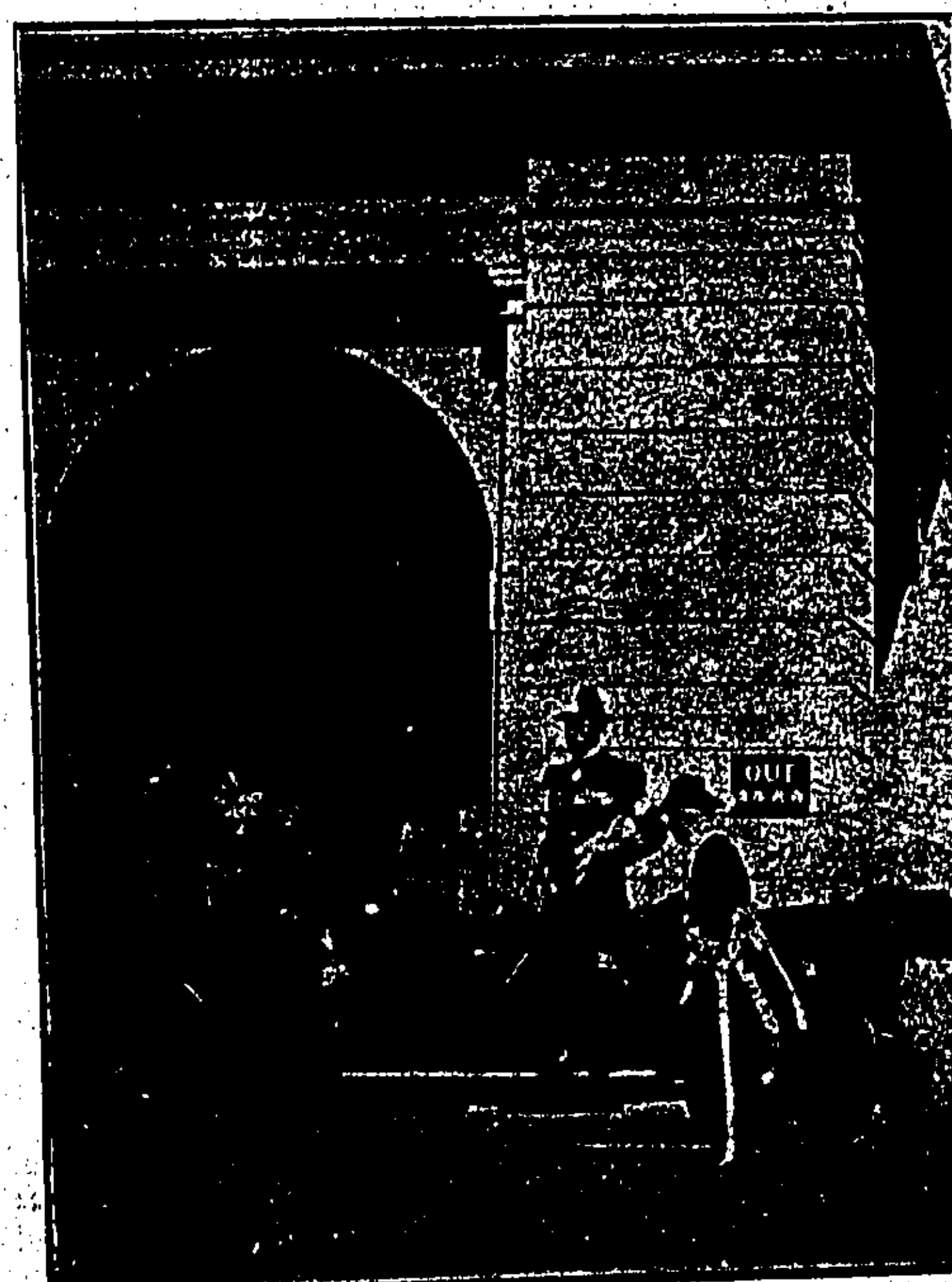
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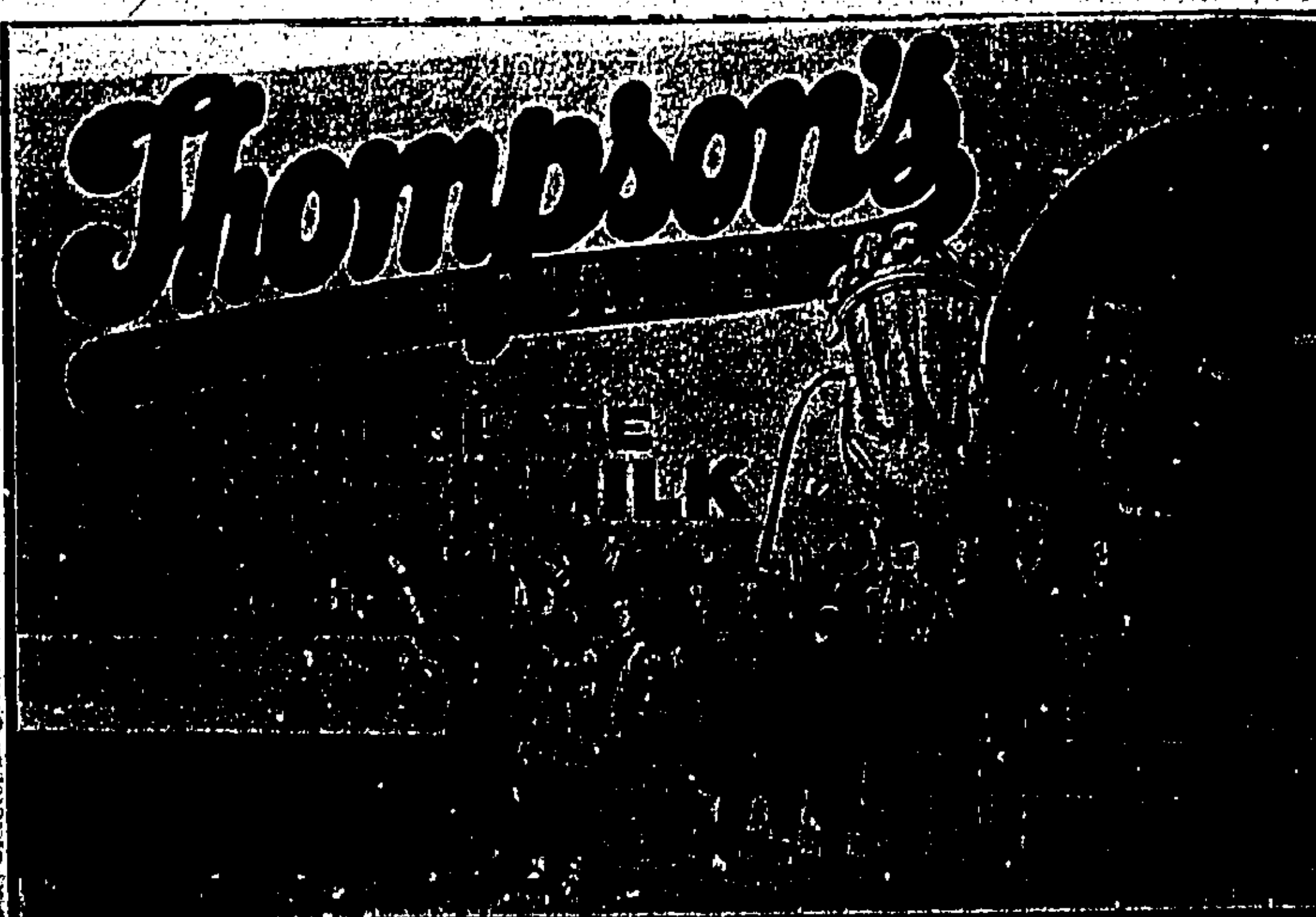
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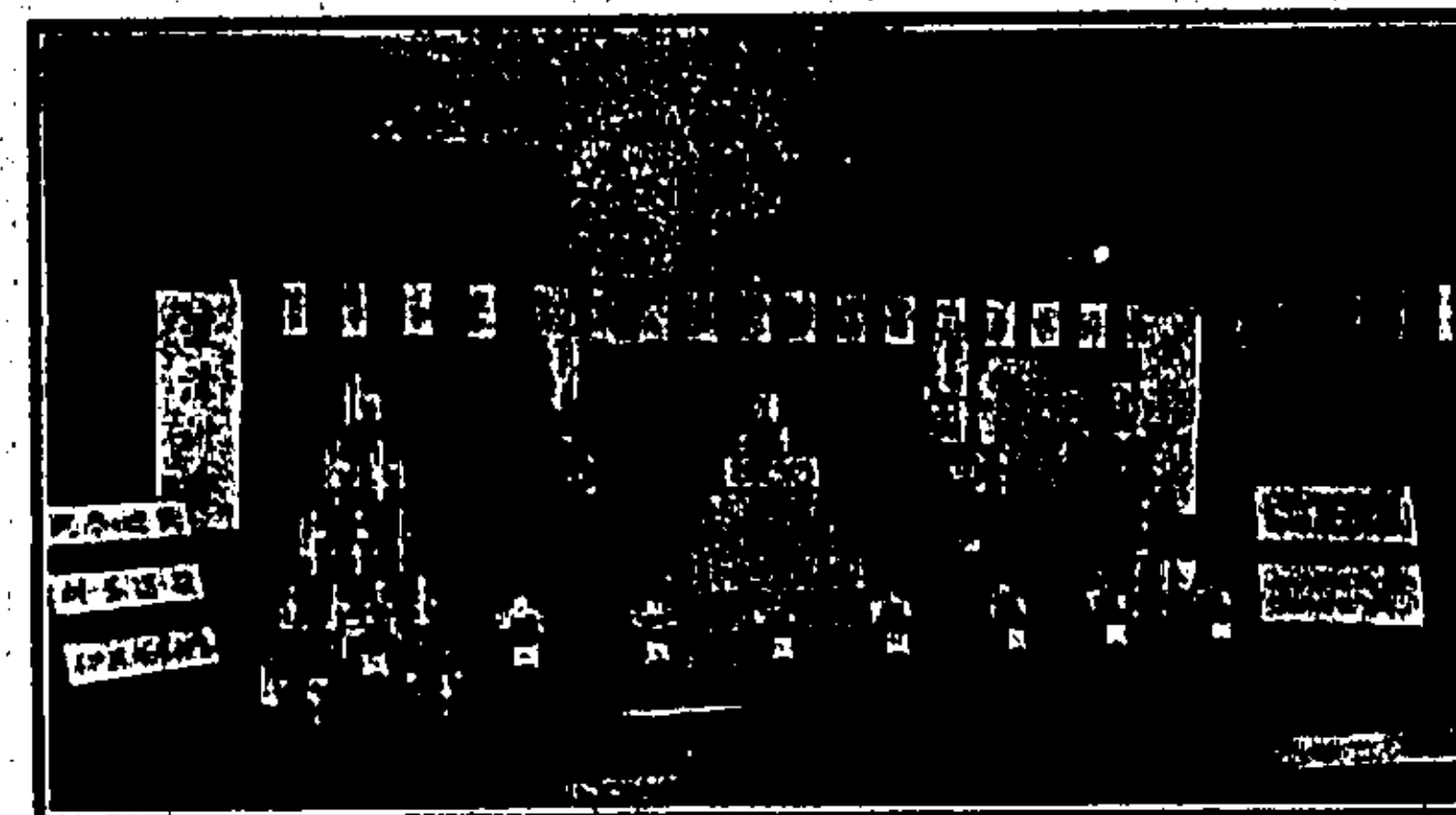
**CANTON TO PEKING.**—Who has been on active service in both extremes of China. He is commander of the 8th Nationalist Army Corps, a member of the Hupeh Provincial Government and Garrison Commissioner of Hankow.



**AT QUEEN'S PIER.**—Left to right: Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, R.E. (Aide-de-Camp to H.E. the Governor), Rear-Admiral A. ten Broecke Hoekstra and Mr. M. J. Quist (Consul-General for the Netherlands).—(By courtesy of Mr. Charlie Wong).



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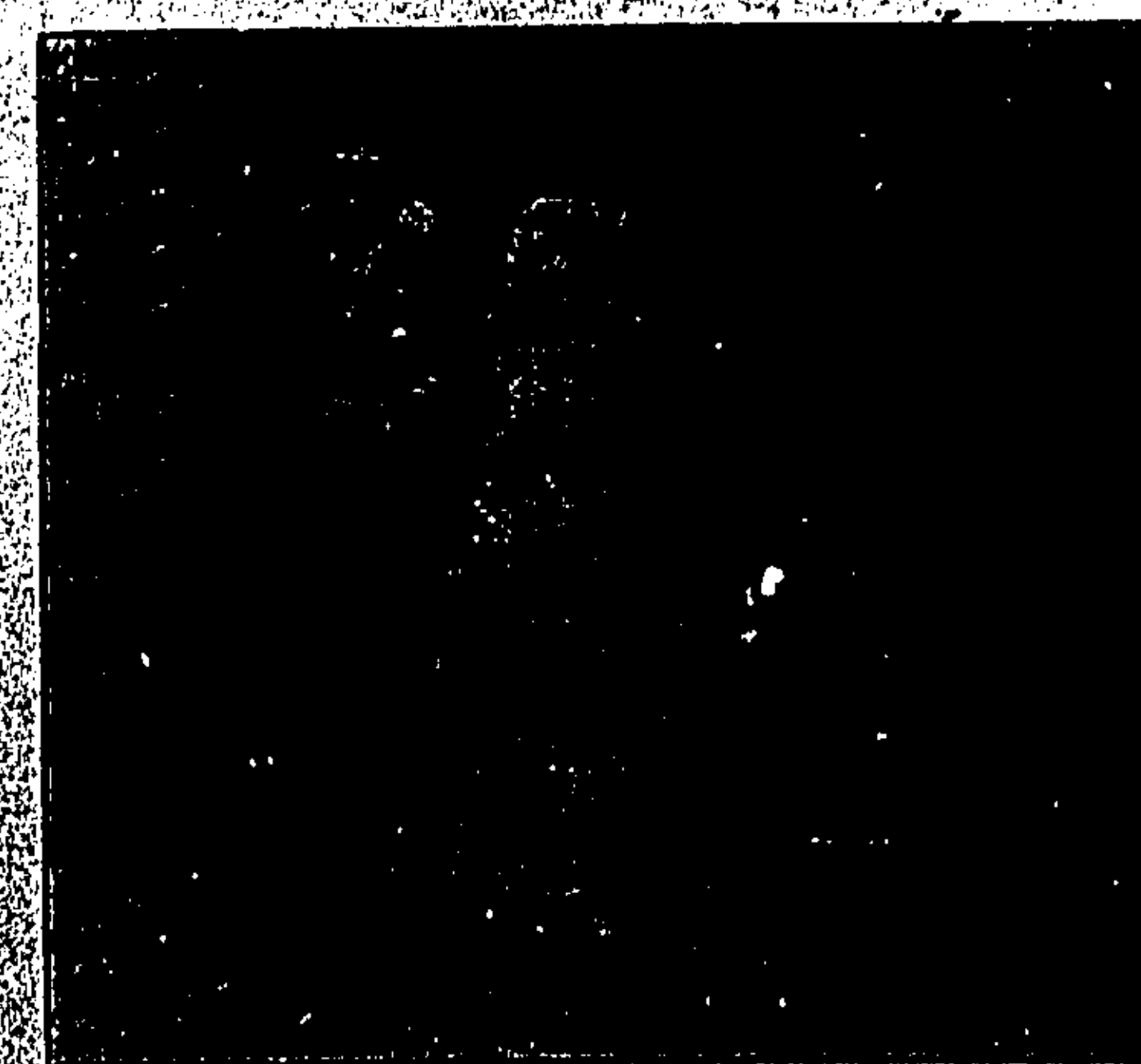
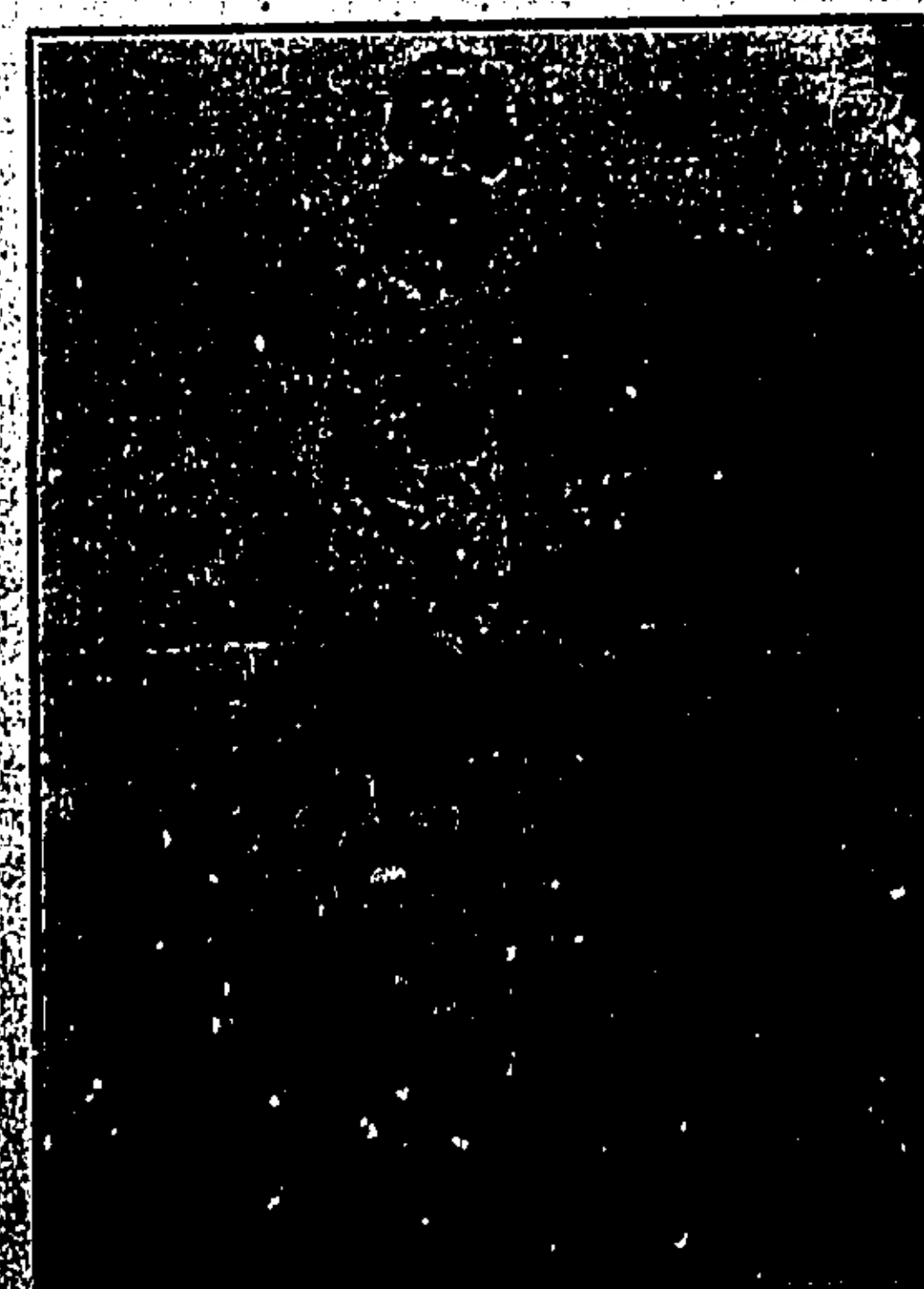
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**ANOTHER HONG KONG BABY.**—Wendy Patricia, the eight-weeks old baby of Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Cannon, who was born in the Colony.



**CATHEDRAL WEDDING.**—At St. John's last Saturday Mr.

General.



# THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED.

## Shoes Are Worn in Various Types



The effort to have things match this season has carried the problem right down to the foot of the matter. Shoes now match in colour the dress or coat that they accompany. They not only match in colour but they also harmonise in the type of material that is chosen for the shoe.

Suedes are particularly noticeable for their ability to appear in matching tones. The lovely greens, blues, browns, wine and grey shades of the costume are now perfectly matched in the suede pumps or oxfords for every occasion.

In harmonising various aspects of the ensemble it was inevitable that the shoe would not long escape the general trend towards matching details. Now they often appear in the very fabric of coat or frock as well as colour. Tweeds, so much in evidence for town and country during winter seasons, are being shown in smart sports models of shoes as well as in coats, frocks and suits. In fact there are shown decidedly novel and interesting ensembles which include shoes that match the coat and dress or the pocketbook, hat and belt or scarf. These in all the smart colourful tones create a most interesting appearance.

Apart from the matching of colours and fabrics, reptile skins are seen in the foremost rank. They are exceptionally smart for daytime appearances and create some stunning shoes. Reptile skins also appear as an effective trimming on footwear of plain kidskins.

Oxfords are being shown in both dressy and sports models. They

are seen in a variety of materials, colours and designs and for all their elaboration they still maintain an air of simplicity and smartness of line. The plain pump is seen in dress models. It relies entirely upon the fineness of its workmanship and the beauty of its cut and material. Strap pumps in a variety of models still demonstrate their ability to please all tastes in one strap or in those which possess unusual features in the placing of straps.

Evening models in brocades are essentially smart. They share favour with gold and silver kid, moire and crepe de chine in delicate sandal models.

A feature of importance in all footwear is the heel which remains high in almost all except definitely sports models.

Loretta Young, in choosing her fall shoes, has paid special attention to the colourful array of suedes and cloths to match her costumes. In the First National film, "Scarlet Seas," Miss Young wears several charming shoes, all of striking pattern and colourful materials.

### "TRY A DROP ON YOUR HANDKERCHIEF"

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## COSTUME DETAILS THAT LEND CHIC AND VARIETY

Accessories for All Occasions Appear in New Guises. There is Infinite Variety in Little Things That Accentuate smartness in the Ensemble Effect



The winter wardrobe lends variety to the mode because of the importance of the little details that are assembled to create a complete, harmonious and smart ensemble. The things themselves that are selected are not new, but they appear in new guises and so continue to proclaim their necessity. As usual, jewellery in effective settings and colourful combinations helps to perfect the appearance.

**Jewellery for All Occasions**  
Paris is setting its seal of approval upon stones that glitter with genuineness as well as beauty. Ropes of diamonds, pearls and coloured crystals are being shown and worn everywhere with great chic. There is the choker necklace—medium length or very long—the diamond bracelets or strands of pearls or coloured crystals where colour schemes are important.

Oddly strung beads, silver and gold beaten and shaped into interesting designs all appear for sports, afternoons or informal occasions. It matters not which is chosen as long as the wearer uses jewellery of genuine appeal and colourful aspect well adapted to the type of dress she chooses.

**New Scarfs Are Shown**  
Scarves of great variety are being shown to entice the shopper. There is seen an especially smart new college scarf that hugs the

neck tightly and has ends that flare in a semi-circular manner giving the effect of four loose ends. Brilliant colours to make gay the sports coats are a feature of these scarves.

**Colourful New Handkerchiefs**  
For evening, the large chiffon handkerchief, in brilliant shades is favoured. Elaborate monograms and cut work is a feature of importance. Printed and flowered designs are also seen. Sports handkerchiefs in very tailored aspects are being featured with monograms in deep shades preferred.

**Mesh Hosiery**  
Fall street costumes are being completed by new shades of hose in all sorts of weights and weaves. Mesh hosiery is particularly smart. New stitches with self embroidered clocks or striking colour combinations are featured in chic hosiery. Colours which include darker tones on the beige and gray shades are an important note in stockings.

**Belts of All Widths**  
It appears that dresses are to be belted this season. Belts may be narrow to the extreme or may be four inches wide and still fit themselves into the picture of interesting accessories. Belts are often so decorative in their own bright colouring that they appear without designs or trimmings or, on the other hand add contrasting colour

notes and appliques in picturesque designs to enhance their importance.

**Pocketbooks Again Seek Variety**  
Pocketbooks are again on paths of divided lines. There is the very small and very chic purse for formal wear and there is the large and colourful bag that holds everything for shopping and travelling. Modernistic patterns just now are ruling the mode and colours are triumphant, although the black suede purse, with jewelled clasps of colourful appeal are at the height of chic.

**Hat and Costume Ornaments**  
Designs of animals in colour imitating enamel work are exceptionally smart as hat ornaments right now. These lighten and brighten the hats at important points.

The small metal fob with narrow bar and chains of modernistic design to which round, square or oblong discs are attached are very new.  
Billie Dove, in First National's "The Night Watch," whose clothes are always smartly selected, finds the attention she gives to costume details is amply repaid by the chic of her ensemble effects.

## For Sports Wear



A sports costume in yellow and white. The jacket is in bright yellow angora, while the blouse repeats the tone on a white background. The finely-pleated skirt is of white crepe.

## For Chilly Days



One of the latest creations in fur, a coat of Moire seal and Small leopard. The seal is in its natural brown shade, which combines excellently with the leopard skins.

## "Prosperity Wave"



Miss Flora LeBreton, "England's Mary Pickford," wearing the new "prosperity wave" as emblematic of conditions throughout the United States.

## OYSTERS, FRIED!

These are sometimes used as a separate dish, or for garnishing fried-fish. They are nice coated with beaten egg and bread crumbs, with batter. They should be chosen as even in size as convenient, and dried well before cooking, then, after frying, well-drained on a hot cloth. Crispness is essential, and a plentiful supply of fried parsley is the usual accompaniment. They are generally eaten minus sauce, but a good one, when preferred, is made by boiling down the strained liquor to a fourth the quantity, and seasoning it with anchovy essence, cayenne vinegar, and ordinary pepper; it must be served very hot. Thicken it slightly, if preferred.

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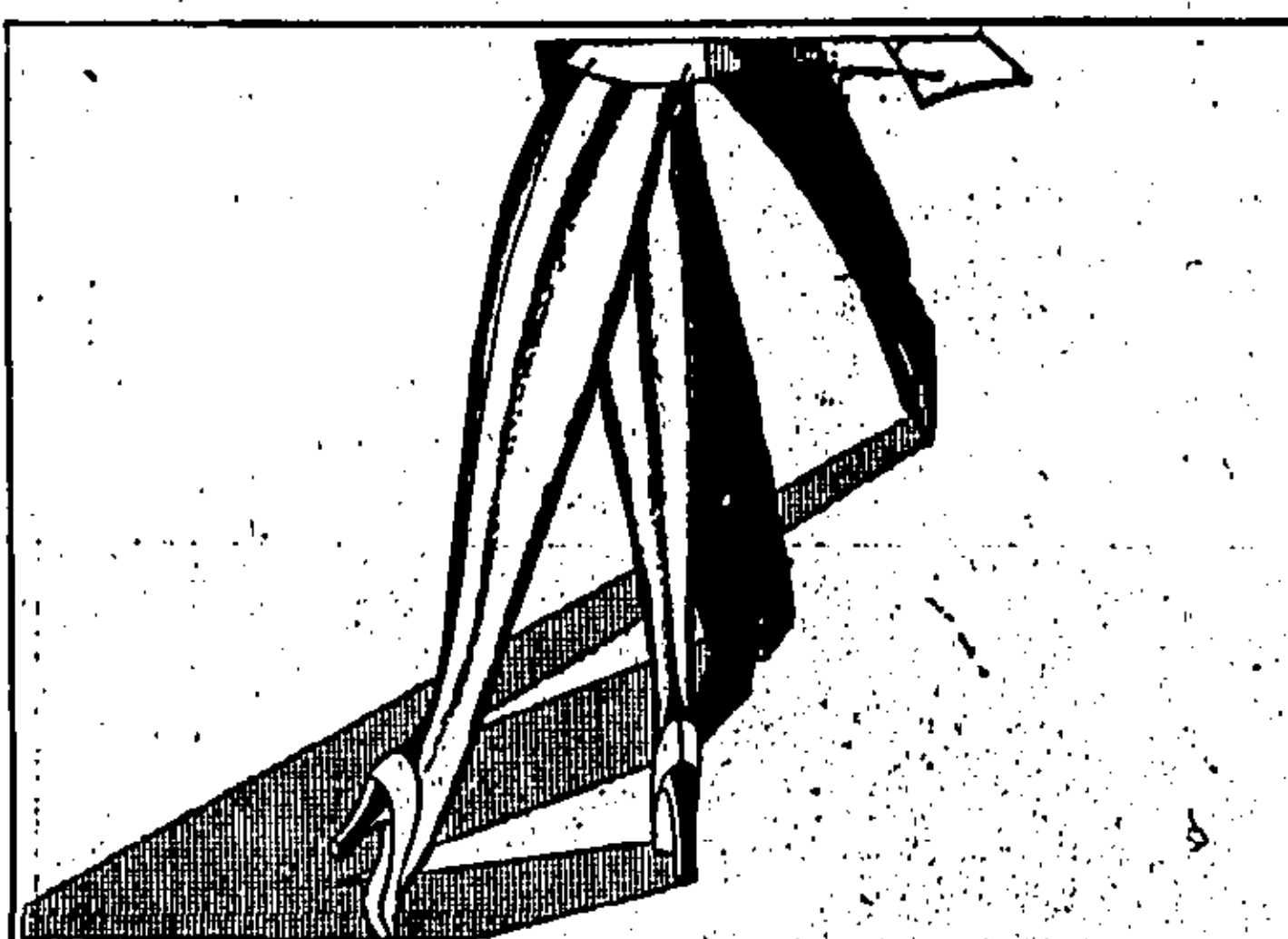
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## WOMEN WHO CAN KEEP SECRETS

University Girls As Advisers of City Magnates

"The inspector must be prepared to argue across a table with solicitors and accountants on any point arising out of an assessment.... At the hearing before the Appeal Commissioners the case for the Crown is usually conducted by the inspector, whose legal and technical knowledge and forensic skill must be sufficient to enable him to hold his own against counsel and solicitors."

Thus does the Inland Revenue Department in its information to candidates define one of the many duties which are required from inspectors of income-tax.

Three women, successful at the recent examination, have been appointed to these posts. Another woman, received an appointment. Miss L. T. Reid has been posted to Harrogate; Miss G. W. Morris to Leamington; Miss G. W. Faux to Richmond, and Miss E. E. Beney to Croydon.

The entrance examination for these posts (amongst the most difficult and responsible in the whole Civil Service) is now of the university standard. The success of these women is significant not alone of the invasion of men's preserves by their sex, but of the value to women of university education.

**The Only Difference.**  
The examination is of a technical as well as literary character, and women and men compete on exactly level terms. The only difference

shows itself afterwards, when the men obtain more favourable scales of pay.

What will the business community think of this striking innovation by Somerset House? Inspectors of income-tax are brought into contact with every form of financial and commercial activity throughout the country, and more information of a confidential and personal character is received at the income-tax offices than at any other Government Department.

Must we, then, with the coming of the lady income-tax inspector, discard once for all the old gibe that a woman cannot keep a secret? But, apart from this, one can imagine the feelings of some irate grey-haired City magnate who, on bursting into the local inspector's office, finds himself suddenly confronted with a young, smiling, handsome university girl. He will have to sit down as calmly as he can to discuss with her the law of contract and tort, or the English law of trusts, partnerships, bankruptcy, companies. The situation is not an imaginary one. It is here and now. These are some of the questions which the lady inspector will require to know.

**Holding Her Own.**  
Further, as showing what is expected from her, it is officially pointed out that in important cases, and especially in cases of assessments upon companies, the best professional assistance is frequently engaged on behalf of the taxpayer, and the department requires that the lady inspector should be able to hold her own against all the elaborate points of income-tax law which arise

and which so often puzzle our judges. Somerset House itself gives the warning that "the inspector is consequently invested with considerable responsibilities making demands on self-reliance, initiative, and judgment."

We should hear no more complaints from disgruntled taxpayers about the loss of the "personal touch" in the scrapping of the old local machinery. The introduction of the women graduates of Girton and Newnham may be only another ingenious official device for the easy extraction of our money, and when the scheme is developed Somerset House is hoping that the payment of income-tax will become a pleasure and that the machine will run on oiled wheels.—Civil Service Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

## COFFEE BUNS

**Ingredients:** Two ounces of flour, two ounces of ground rice, two ounces of butter, two ounces of granulated sugar, one teaspoonful of vanilla, half a teaspoonful of baking powder, one egg, coffee essence, a dessertspoonful of milk. Beat the butter and sugar to a cream, add the well-beaten egg and then mix with the vanilla and about half a teaspoonful of coffee essence. Some brands are much stronger than others. Use only just enough to make the buns a pretty coffee shade. Beat these all together until smooth. Then, while still beating, add the flour and ground rice, and mix with the coffee essence. Beat in any more coffee essence, if desired, and mix with the flour and ground rice.



# OUR HOMESIDE PICTURE SERVICE.



At left, NEW PRIMATE'S ELECTION.—The Lords Commissioners in session at Church of St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, London, for the election of Dr. Lang as Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr. Lang (third from right, standing) is surrounded by the Bishops in the vestry.—(Sport and General).

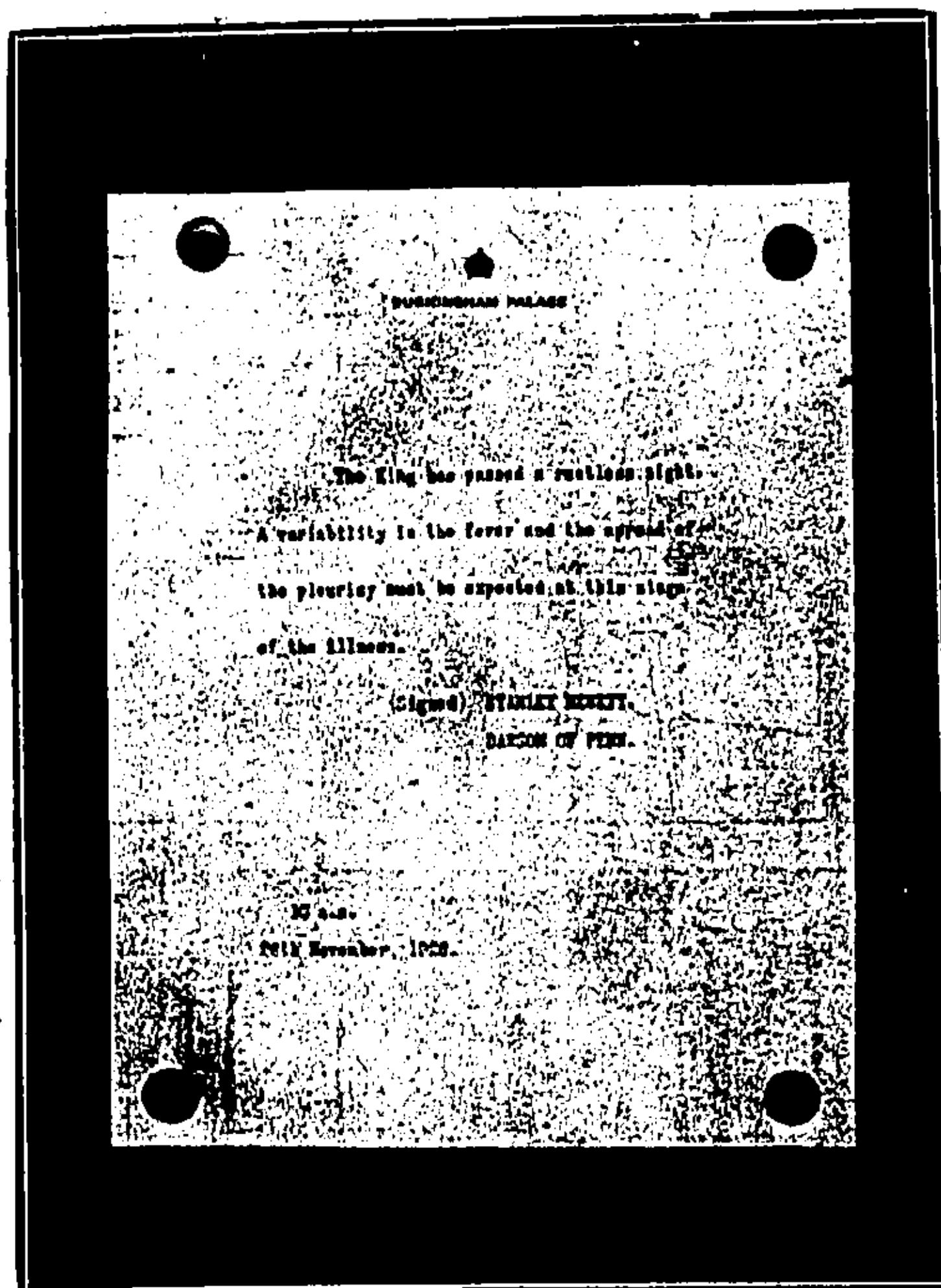
At right, NEW HOBBY FOR STAGE FOLK.—On the rabbit farm at Ewell, Surrey, Mr. Mark Lester, of "blue eyes" musical comedy, Daly's Theatre, London, invited members of the cast to meet his pets, numbering 200 rabbits. Mr. Lester and Miss Evelyn Laye, who plays the lead in "Blue Eyes," are attending to the toilet of one of the beautiful Angora rabbits.—(Sport and General).



VIGOUR AND DETERMINATION AT VARSITY ATHLETICS. THE SENIOR SPORTS AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—Magnificent hurdling in the final of the 120 yards hurdles, which was won by G. C. R. Clay (No. 1, seen third from the camera). The four competitors were photographed when taking the first flight.—(Sport and General).



At left, THE KING'S ILLNESS.—When H.M. King George was suffering from slight congestion of the lung and pleurisy, but was progressing favourably.—It was on Nov. 26 when, for the first time since the illness began,



a copy of the bulletin was displayed on the railings in front of Buckingham Palace. Above is a reproduction of the bulletin which caused so much anxiety.—(Sport and General).

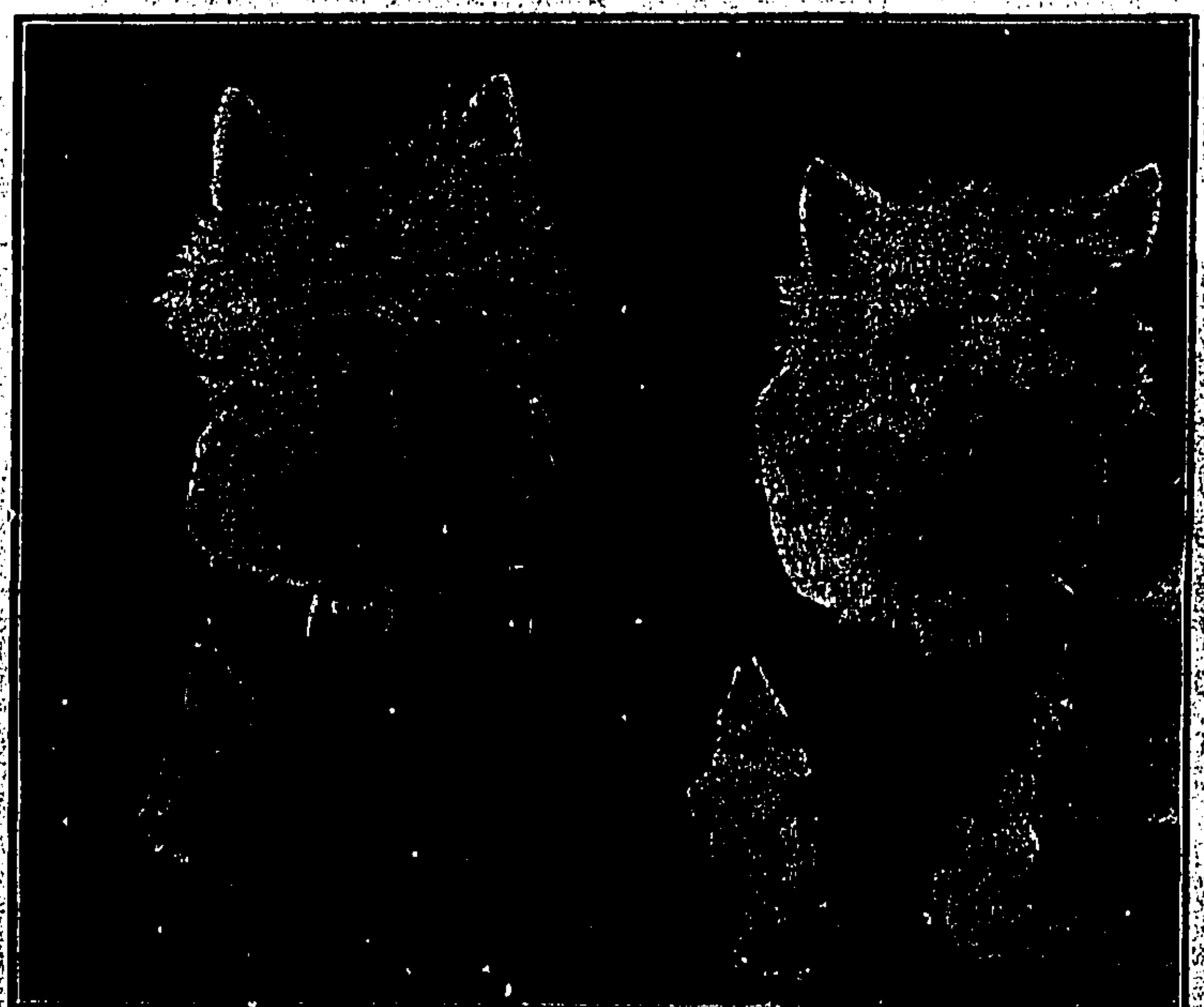


GOALKEEPER'S FINE ACTION IN LONDON FOOTBALL MATCH.—A big crowd watched a fine display of football at the match between Arsenal and Aston Villa at Highbury, London. Arsenal were defeated by their visitors by five goals to two.—Jack, the Arsenal's inside-right, scores their first goal, while Olney (Villa's goal-keeper) makes a fine leap to save.—(Sport and General).

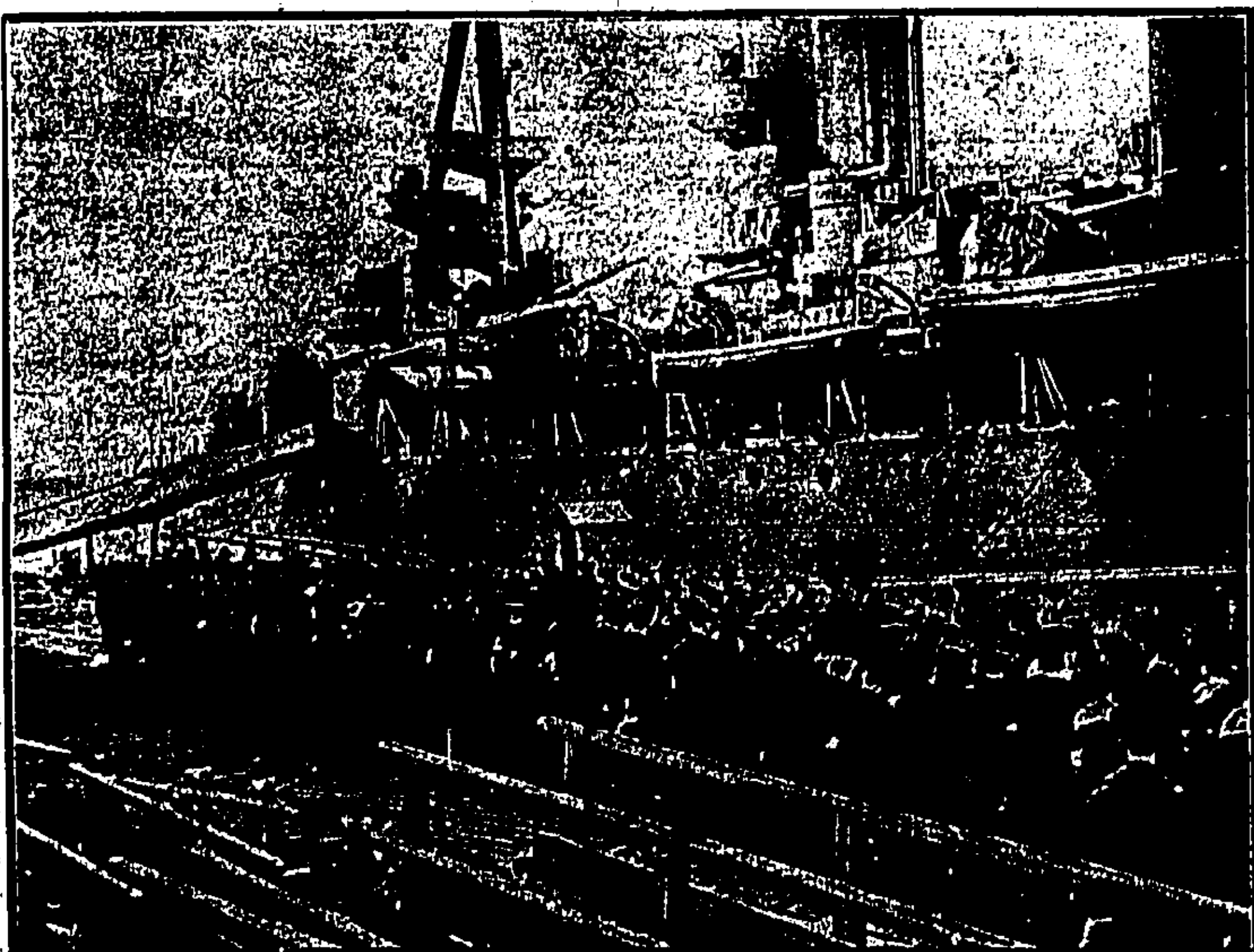


SHAGGY HEADED CATTLE AT THE BIRMINGHAM FAT STOCK SHOW AT BINGLEY HALL, ONE OF THE LEADING SHOWS HELD AT HOME, WAS REMARKABLE FOR THE FINE EXHIBITS SHOWN.—Our photograph is of a West Highland Heifer which attracted attention.—(Sport and General).

DIGNIFIED PAGEENTRY.—The new Archbishop of Canterbury between the Dean and Archdeacon of Canterbury going in procession from the Old Palace to the Cathedral for the enthronement.—(Sport and General).

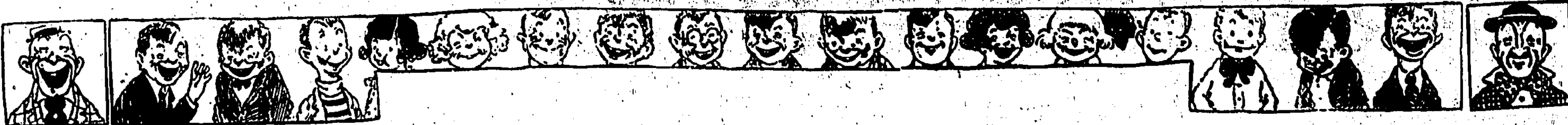


WINTER WARMS FOR WEE EXHIBITS.—Many beautiful exhibits were to be seen at the Ladies' Kennel Association dog show at the Alexandra Palace, London. These two West Highland White Terriers, winners of five first prizes, thoroughly appreciated their little world's fame.—(Sport and General).



HAPPY TIMES FOR MERRY JACK TARS.—The Atlantic Fleet ships return to Portsmouth for the customary Christmas leave.—Picture shows the sailors lined up for the roll call after disembarking H.M.S. Nelson may be seen in background.—(Sport and General).





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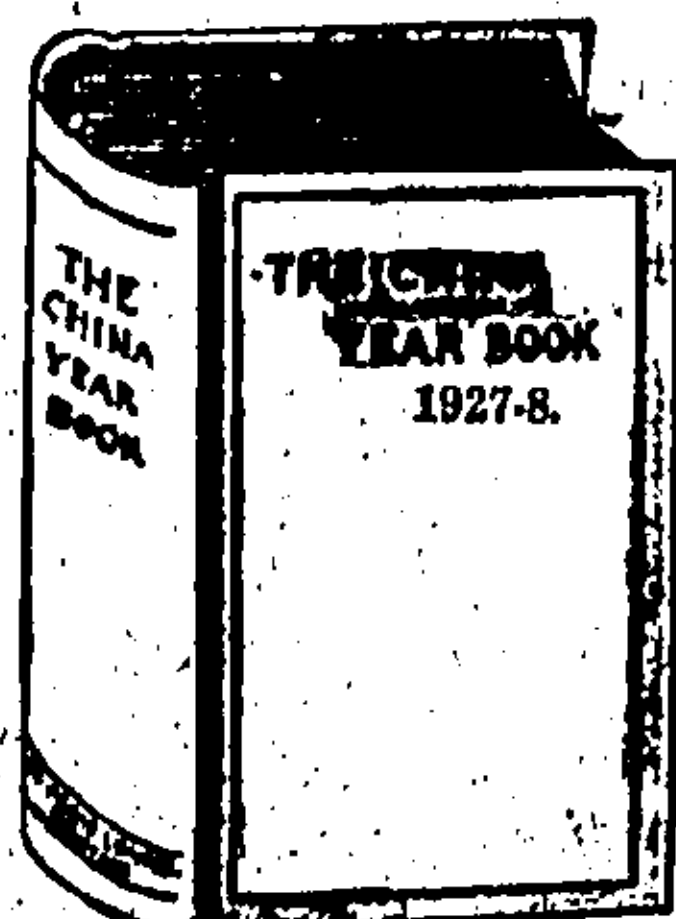
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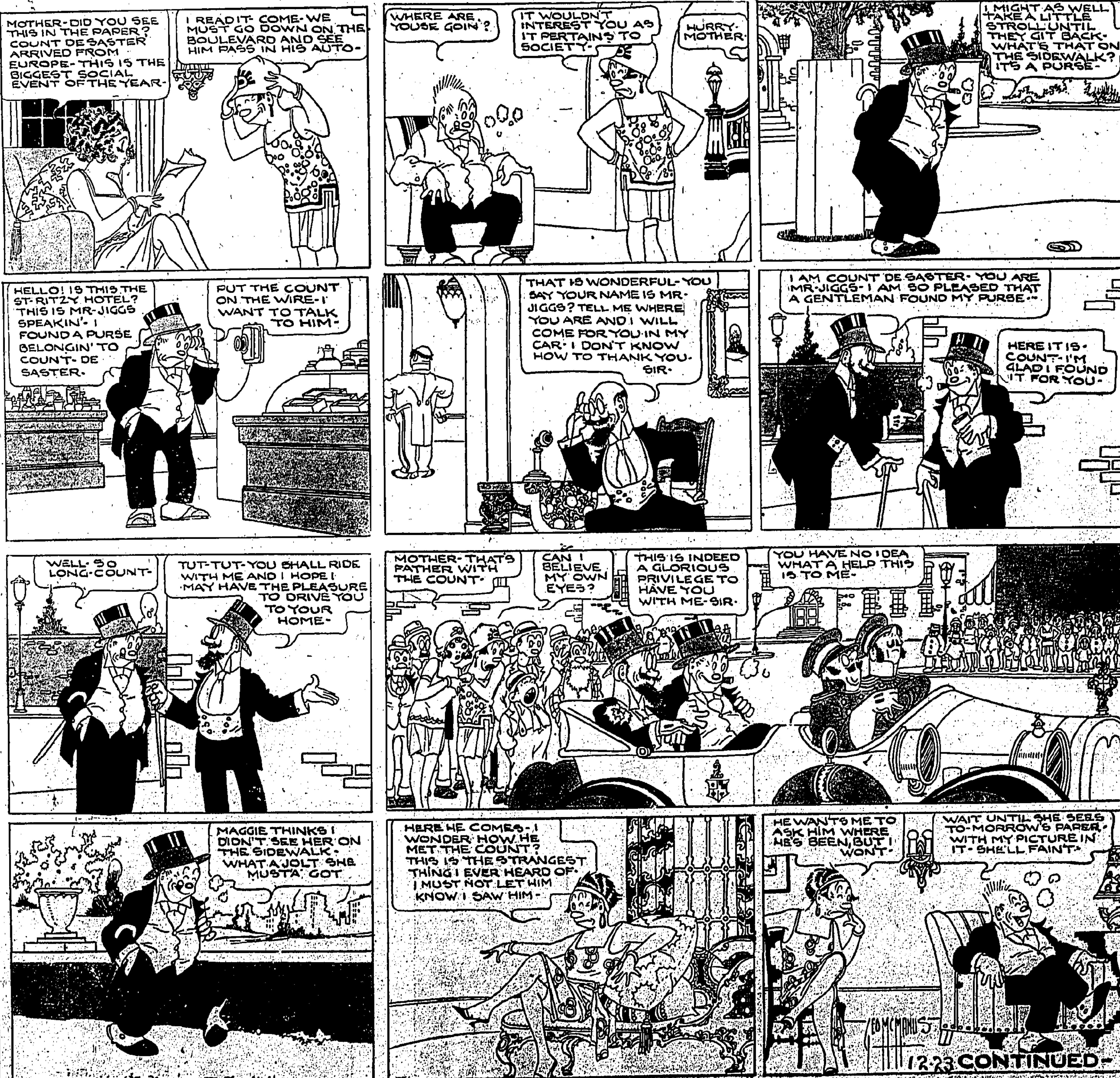
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## XV.—EDITORIAL FROM "SIGNS OF THE TIMES"

## Is There No God?

A man who styles himself an atheist, and who has devoted his life to the preaching of atheism, has recently been arrested in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was circulating a placard upon which was inscribed, "Evolution is true. The Bible is a lie. God is a ghost."

Perhaps if the authorities in Little Rock had given a little more thoughtful study to the matter, they would not have arrested this man. On what grounds would it be proper to do so? Certainly there is no ground for arresting him under either our state or our federal law, unless there was some crime apart from his mere teaching of atheism. Our nation allows the right of a man to teach any doctrine or theory in the field of religion that he may feel inclined to present. Hence men like the renowned Ingersoll have been allowed to go freely all through the country, casting doubt and ridicule upon the Bible.

We do not want to be understood as believing in evolution, atheism, or any of their ilk, or as even remotely sympathizing with them; but we hold that to arrest an atheist for his atheistic propaganda is a slander on the name of Christianity and liberty. We would to God the day were here when every soul under high heaven revered His name, but only harm can come from efforts to suppress the views of dissenters.

Turning away from the civil or merely legal phase of the matter to the example of God and Christ as presented in the Bible, we find that they not only permitted such teaching to go on till it reaped its own fruitage, but in a most remarkable way the Lord of glory Himself submitted to the cruel death of the cross at the hands of those who refused to believe that He was the great Messiah.

A little review of the facts in regard to this supreme event are not only interesting, but they are always helpful. The apostle Paul says of the Christ, "Who, existing in the form of God, counted not the being on an equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man. He humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death, yea, the death of the cross." (Philippians 2:6-8.)

Get the picture in mind of what this text presents. Here is the infinite Christ Himself, garbed in human flesh, and He "humbled Himself," even to the point of submitting to the cruelties of death by hanging upon the cross of Calvary. And while submitting to this death, He was taunted by the jeers of those who were saying, "If Thou be Christ, save Thyself."

This suffering of the Christ was foretold in that wonderful prophecy of the fifty-third of Isaiah. The chapter is worthy of the most thoughtful study; and, as you read it, you find it full of expressions like this: "He was a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief." And again, "He was oppressed, yet when He was afflicted He opened not His mouth; as a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before its shearers is dumb, so He opened not His mouth." And then again, we find the statement that "although He had done no violence, neither was any deceit in His mouth," yet "He was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of My people to whom the stroke was due." And the supreme climax is presented in the statement: "Because He poured out His soul unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."

Think of the suffering through which the Son of God passed in that trying hour! And, in the midst of it, call to mind His own statement when He was being arrested, preparatory to His crucifixion: "Thinkest thou that I can not beseech My Father, and He shall even now send Me more than twelve legions of angels?" The Roman legion to which He doubtless referred, numbered at different times from 4,500 to 6,000. At the lowest estimate that meant His ability to summon 54,000 angels to stand by His side, any one of which was more than a match for all the legions of Rome.

Now in the full consciousness of this power, Jesus Christ refused to summon this army of glorious angels. He submitted Himself to the ignominious death of the cross. He suffered all its pains and

agonies in order that He might place before men the infinite value and the consoling glory and beauty of divine love. He who could command all the forces of the universe refused to use force in the establishing of His kingdom, for His kingdom must rest upon the principles of kindness, of generosity, of divine love. And the Lord of glory Himself passes through the indignity of allowing weak, fallible, sinful men to crucify Him, so that in His death He might display to them His love; so that in this way He might teach them the principles of His kingdom.

There is an object lesson here in the scenes of Calvary for every Christian, and for that matter for every individual in the world, to contemplate. Let it be repeated and let it be emphasised that Heaven permitted Jesus Christ, the Commander of all the forces of the infinite universe, to pass through the indescribable agonies of Calvary so that He might cause the infinite love of God to stand in mighty contrast to the cohorts of evil. And while Jesus says, "All authority hath been given unto Me in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18), yet to His followers He also says, "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves."

The persuasive power of love is the great magnet that God uses in drawing men to Him. And if we do not see this on every page of the Bible, it is because we have read our Bibles too superficially.

## DIVORCE LAWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

Five weeks later, on August 24, the acting Colonial Secretary notified the Singapore Bar Committee that a copy of its resolution had been forwarded to the Secretary of State.

It is not known whether the Straits Government expressed any views on the resolution or sought to withdraw its previous decision.

**Hong Kong's Position**  
As far as Hong Kong is concerned, the primary question is:—Are there many Britons domiciled here? The answer, obviously, is "No." What, then, of the Chinese? Of the million or so included in the population, a large percentage looks on Hong Kong as a permanent home, although some who do so still maintain an establishment outside the Colony or maintain contact (of a fluctuating degree) with the ancestral hall up-country.

But the fundamentals of Chinese marriages and the Chinese marriage law present so many obstacles that it is practically impossible to legislate for Chinese divorces in Hong Kong. In the Straits Settlements, on the other hand, there are hundreds of thousands of real natives, people who were there for centuries before British rule began, such as Malays, Mahomedans, etc.

**No Referendum Here**  
Even the Chinese in the Straits are different from the Chinese in Hong Kong. Because of the much greater distance from Chinese soil, only a very small number, comparatively, have not settled down in the Straits for good. That is why Hong Kong has no divorce laws.

I have ascertained positively that the referendum which went to the Governor of the Straits Settlements did not come also to Hong Kong. It was not considered necessary to legislate for Hong Kong, under the circumstances prevailing. I have also ascertained that the Hong Kong Legislature has never gone into the subject of its own accord. In fact, I am fairly certain there is no official record of divorce having been under consideration in this Colony.

## APPOINTMENTS

To-day's "Gazette" announces the following appointments:—  
Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Retired), having returned to the Colony resumed duty as Harbour Master on January 4, 1929.  
H. E. the Governor has reappointed under section 2 of the Dentistry Ordinance, 1914, Ordinance No. 10 of 1914, Dr. C. D. R. Black to be a Member of the Dental Board for a further period of three years, with effect from October 28, 1927.  
H. E. the Governor has appointed Captain A. J. L. Whyte, Royal Engineers, to be his Aide-de-Camp, with effect from January 10, 1929.  
H. E. the Governor has appointed Mr. W. R. Scott to act as his Private Secretary with effect from January 10, 1929.

## MUKDEN COUP

## "YOUNG CHANG" SEIZES ARSENAL

## PROMINENT SUPPORTERS

Shanghai, Yesterday.  
According to Japanese reports, General Chang Hsueh-liang, the son of the late Marshal Chang Tso-lin and the administrator in Manchuria under Nationalist auspices, brought off a coup d'état this morning, seizing the Mukden arsenal and making prisoner General Yang Yuting, formerly Chief of Staff to Chang Tso-lin, also two other prominent Manchurian leaders.

His action is said to have been taken chiefly because they were allegedly antagonistic to hoisting the Nationalist flag and to submission to the National Government's authority in Manchuria.

Tokyo, To-day.  
It is reported from Mukden that among those mentioned as being behind the coup d'état are Chang Tso-hsiang, Chang Ching-hui, Sun Chuan-fang and Chang Tsung-chang, against whose wishes Chang Hsueh-liang is powerless.

## Anxiety Felt

Tokyo, Yesterday.  
An official report received by the Japanese General Staff confirms press despatches announcing the death of Yang Yuting.

Anxiety is felt as it is realised that it holds out dangerous possibilities. Close observers of Chinese affairs fear that his death will upset the political situation in Manchuria, though it is still too early to foretell the outcome.

## Reasons Given

A message from Mukden says that although details of Yang Yuting's death are not yet obtainable it is reported the reasons were:—  
Firstly, that he placed Chang Hsueh-liang in an awkward position regarding railway negotiation with Japan; secondly, that he misappropriated \$20,000,000 from the arsenal funds; thirdly, Yang Yuting's followers were plotting to overthrow Chang Hsueh-liang; fourthly, the Nationalists scented out the plot and requested Chang Hsueh-liang to deal with it appropriately; and fifthly, he opposed Mukden holding the Nationalist flag.

When Yang Yuting's body was handed over to his relatives, Chang Hsueh-liang assured the widow of full protection.

Chang Hsueh-liang, informing the Japanese Consul-General and military officials that Yang Yuting had been executed because of irrefutable evidence concerning a plot, assured them the coup d'état would in no way imperil relations with Japan.—Reuter.

## STRIKE THREAT

## CUSTOMS CHINESE STAFF AT SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Yesterday.  
Twenty-three Chinese employees of the Chinese Maritime Customs, at a meeting last evening, decided to send a letter to the Inspector-General demanding a satisfactory answer to fifteen demands they alleged were submitted to Mr. A. H. F. Edwards on Dec. 19, otherwise they threaten to strike on Jan. 14. Mr. F. W. Maze is considering the demands.  
The present strikes in Shanghai include 2,400 employees of foreign tailoring establishments and 945 employees of the Sun Sun Co., while 2,000 employees of the Pootung factory of Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co. were locked out on Jan. 1, but refuse to evacuate the factory although Nanyang Brothers have offered to pay them three months' wages in lieu of notice.—Reuter.

## "LOVE HUNGRY"

## SPLENDID PICTURE FOR QUEENS

"Love Hungry" a new and excellent comedy drama featuring beautiful Lois Moran, will be screened at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. It is a modern story of a modern young girl who has her own ideas about love and the attendant responsibilities. She meets a handsome young man whom she outwardly scorns and around this situation the author has built a convincing story which moves rapidly towards a thoroughly satisfying climax. There is strong supporting cast headed by Edythe Chapman and James Neil who also give splendid performances in their respective roles.

Sovereign sets of the new Irish Free State postage were purchased on the Dublin banks recently, but it is not yet known what they will be available for general use. Even if they are, they will be withdrawn. The new coins were designed by Mr. Percy Metcalfe and Mr. J. H. Hill, Ltd., London.

## ADMIRAL ON SCENE

## JAPANESE BARRICADES IN HANKOW

## COOLIES STILL WORK

Hankow, Yesterday.  
The Japanese Admiral is due to arrive here on Jan. 12.

The Japanese have replaced barbed-wire and sandbags in the barricades of their Concession and posted one or two sentries. Otherwise there is no change.

Boycott pickets are in position around the Concession and have visited and stopped work by Chinese for Japanese in places outside the Concession.

Chinese coolies, however, continue to load and unload Japanese ships from pontoons in the Japanese Concession, but are not working for Japanese ships outside.—British Naval Wireless.

## Request to General Hu

Hankow, Yesterday.  
The tension is easing and the situation is quiet although the anti-Japanese boycott and strike continues.

## Later

Tension has generally decreased although the pickets continue their vigil and the boycott is being rigidly enforced.

Efforts are now being made to call out the Chinese compradors employed by Japanese and to prevent Chinese pilots from navigating Japanese vessels.

No violence is being offered to Japanese outside the Concession, but from an economic standpoint the boycott is very effective. Japanese business is paralysed.

Representatives of the Japanese authorities called on General Hu Tsung-tu to protest against the presence of pickets around the Japanese Concession and requesting the co-operation of the Chinese authorities in their removal.—Reuter.

## NEW DINOSAUR

## DR. SVEN HEDIN'S FIND IN C. ASIA

## Peking, Yesterday.

Dr. Sven Hedin, the Swedish explorer, returned here yesterday after several months' work in Central Asia, where he has established five meteorological stations. Among other things the expedition discovered a new kind of dinosaur.—Reuter.

In the near future there will be three fewer morning papers in London, and there will be two more evening papers. This prophecy was made by Sir Robert Donald, speaking on the future of the newspaper at the Institute of Journalists' headquarters in London. The big newspaper magnates, Viscount Rothamsted, Lord Reaverbrook, the Berry Group, and Mr. Harrison, now controlled £100,000,000 invested in newspapers and kindred enterprises, he said. Their publications had two-thirds of the sales of daily, evening, and Sunday newspapers in Great Britain.

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Concurrent with the simultaneous exposure of Communist activities in Hong Kong and in Canton, a special article has been included in the "Overland" dealing with the "Christian General," who is alleged in some quarters to be a Red still. The article also explains how Britain and other countries view the Soviet policy towards China, a policy portending dire results to the world if it were allowed to have effect.

#### RESIDENTS BACK FROM LEAVE

Many residents have just returned to Hong Kong after holidays at Home and elsewhere. For the first few days one's conscience can be calmed by thoughts that time is needed to unpack and to get settled down again. Then that letter must go.

What you have to say for yourself no one else can write for you; but if you want to ease anxiety as to what is happening out here that is a task that the "Overland China Mail" will do for you as it has invariably done in the past.

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So far as the Exchange portion of the plant is concerned, Messrs. Siemens Bros., London, report that manufacture is proceeding satisfactorily and they see no reason why the equipment should not be supplied and installed by the date fixed in their contract with us.

With regard to the buildings for the accommodation of such plant, all necessary alterations and modifications to the fifth floor of Exchange Building for the housing of the new Central Automatic Exchange are completed, and the large area on one floor, combined with the excellent lighting arrangements, make these premises as nearly ideal as possible for the purpose for which they are required.

In Kowloon the new building is rapidly approaching completion and will be entirely finished in good time to accommodate the first delivery of the Exchange equipment.

In all Exchanges, special de-humidifying equipment is being provided in order to maintain the relative humidity of the Exchange room at a safe figure during even the worst period of Hong Kong's wet season.

The New System  
The work of connecting all subscribers' lines to the new Exchange in readiness for connection to the new system is proceeding rapidly and the company is endeavouring to carry out as much of this work as possible during the dry season, in order that the insulation of the paper insulated underground cables will not be adversely affected.

With reference to the actual telephone instruments and sub-exchange switchboards, installed at subscribers' premises, these will in some cases be modified for working into the new system, but in the majority of cases the installation will require to be duplicated and the first consignment of the necessary apparatus is expected within the next few days.

It will be realised that the new system will necessitate a complete re-numbering of all subscribers' lines, and this matter has been given very careful consideration with a view to meeting the technical requirements with as little inconvenience as possible to subscribers in the matter of changed telephone numbers.

When working on the new system, all subscribers' lines will consist of five digit numbers without any prefixed exchange name or code, and generally speaking, the new numbering scheme will take the following lines:

In the Central area subscribers will arrive at their new numbers by prefixing the exchange number by the figure "2," plus any necessary figures to make up a five figure group. The following are examples:

Old number.	New number.
C. 1	20001
C. 1999	21999
C. 6000	26000
C. 7000	27000

In the Peak area the new numbers will be obtained by prefixing the existing numbers by the figures "29," together with any figures will be added to make up the five figure group. Examples follow:

Old number.	New number.
E. 1	29001
E. 199	29199

In the Kowloon area existing numbers from 1 to 999 will be prefixed by the figures "57," together with any necessary figures to make up the five figure group, whilst existing numbers between 1000 and 1999 will be prefixed by the figure "58," and the thousands digit "0" will become "6," after which any necessary figures will be added to make up the five figure group. The following examples will make this clear:

Old number.	New number.
K. 1	57001
K. 999	57999
K. 1000	58000
K. 1999	58999

Direct Exchange Lines  
The above applies generally to direct Exchange lines, but there are no subscribers' lines which are not subscribers' lines, and these will be dealt with separately.

#### MR. GEORGE BOW

**LEAVES CANTON-SAMSHUI RAILWAY**

**SEND OFF BY HIS MEN**

The "China Mail" learns that Mr. George Bow has not yet been appointed commander of the Cheung Chau Fort at Whampoa, as stated earlier in the week. That it is impending, however, is believed to be the case in political circles.

When Mr. Bow left the Canton-Samshui Railway, of which he had been Superintendent for some time, bringing the line to a high state of efficiency, all the workmen took part in a warm send-off, accompanied by much cracker-throwing, after presenting all over cases and a shield to their chief.

Guards of the Line  
The guards of the Railway are still under his control. The numbers are to be reduced by about 200, down to four units, for the protection of the line and traffic.

Mr. Bow applied to the Canton Government for leave to travel but such was not granted and a new appointment for him is pending.

His military education was undergone at Norwich University, the military college of the state of Vermont, U.S.A. He was also at the Military Instruction Camp conducted by the U.S. War Department. In addition, Mr. Bow is a B.Sc. (Engineer).

#### 1ST SOMERSET L.I.

**ARRIVAL AT SHAMSHUIPO HUTMENT**

**MARCH FROM KOWLOON**

Disembarking at Kowloon wharf No. 5 yesterday afternoon on arrival of H.M.'s transport "City of Marseilles" the 1st Battalion the Somerset Light Infantry marched to Shamshuiipo hutment preceded by the Band of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regiment.

The Somersets come from Egypt, with families, and have been brought up to strength by a draft from "Home" which joined the battalion at Suez.

Equipment was transferred by Army motor-lorries. Drafts were also brought out by the transport, including a detachment for the R.A.F.

The 1st Queen's, who are being relieved by the Somersets, are due to leave Hong Kong by the "Dorsetshire" on March 2 for Malta.

The other battalion at Shamshuiipo, the 1st Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regt., is to leave on the "Somersetshire" on Feb. 27 for Bombay.

On the return voyage, the "City of Marseilles" is to convey the 2nd Batt. the Scots Guards (formerly in Hong Kong) from Shanghai to England.

exchange switchboards, these will, for technical reasons, require to be changed to numbers which may have no similarity to the existing numbers, as it is necessary that all exchange lines serving one subscriber should be consecutive, and that their position on the switchboards should be such as to enable the switch to hunt over all the lines serving one subscriber, if the preceding line is engaged. This necessitates that such lines will occupy certain positions on the switchboards and take the numbers corresponding thereto. Also, in allotting positions on the switchboard for such lines it is necessary, as far as possible to make provision for the possibility of additional lines being required by the same subscriber in the future, and if such provision were not made it would result in a new series of numbers having to be allotted to such subscribers.

Reservations  
The reservations which can be made in this connection are, of course, very limited, and subscribers who intend to take more exchange lines in the near future should notify the Company at once in order that arrangements can be made whereby their requirements can be taken care of without necessitating a further change in their telephone numbers.

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#### INTO INTERIOR

**PRES. COOLIDGE'S NEPHEW AND PARTY**

**SOUTH-WEST OF CHINA**

An important personage, on a most important mission, is in Hong Kong.

He is Mr. Harold Jefferson Coolidge, Jr., a nephew of President Calvin Coolidge of the United States of America. With him are Dr. J. Van Tyne, Dr. R. E. Wheeler and Dr. R. W. Hendree. All four are in the Indo-China division of Kelley-Roosevelt Field Museum Expedition.

The party leaves Hong Kong by the a.s. "Song Bo" on Jan. 12 and expect to arrive at Halphong, in French Indo-China, on Jan. 15. Then they leave on Feb. 1 and go by train to Laokay, on the boundary between Indo-China and China.

The Roosevelts  
Using small ponies and dug-out canoes, the travellers hope to go far west, towards the border of Burma and the head of the Mekong River.

The object is to collect birds and small mammals in the region north of Tonkin.

In July, the party hopes to meet and join the expedition under Mr. Theodore Roosevelt and Mr. Kermit Roosevelt who, presumably, have left Bangkok, heading north for Yunnan and Szechuan provinces, in the south-west of China Proper. The Roosevelts, incidentally, are after big game.

Mr. Coolidge, Jr. and his companions are to concentrate on the Mekong valley.

Governor's Interest  
Both expeditions will probably go southward by the Mekong, and expect to be in Saigon in the autumn.

Mr. Coolidge and his colleagues will be in territory hitherto not collected in by scientists. Incidentally, the land is familiar to H. E. the Governor of Hong Kong (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), who takes keen interest in the travellers' experiences.

The expedition has been favoured by the courtesy of the French Government. Two are ornithologists and two are mammalogists. All four have had previous experience in other parts of the world. The "China Mail" wishes them all success.

#### DR. WANG ASSURES

**RAILWAY INTERESTS FROM MANCHURIA**

**Shanghai, Yesterday.**

According to a Kuo Min news agency report from Nanking, delegates representing the Association for the Protection of Railway Rights in Hellungkiang (Manchuria) called on Dr. C. T. Wang (Foreign Minister) and related the "railway situation in Hellungkiang as well as Japan's repeated attempts to encroach upon China's territorial sovereignty there through railway construction."

The report adds that Dr. Wang assured the delegates that no agreement whatever between Japan and the local authorities in Manchuria should be regarded as effective. Continuing, he said: "Now that the Three Eastern Provinces are under the jurisdiction of the Central Government, all foreign relations of Manchuria will be determined by the central authorities. For my part, you may rest assured that I will never sign away our country's right."—Reuter.

#### CHURCH NOTICES.

**A CHANGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING**

**ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.**

Jan. 13, 1st Sunday after Epiphany  
Choral Eucharist, 8 a.m.  
Children's Service, 10 a.m.  
Sunday School at Peak School, 10 a.m.

Matins, 11 a.m.  
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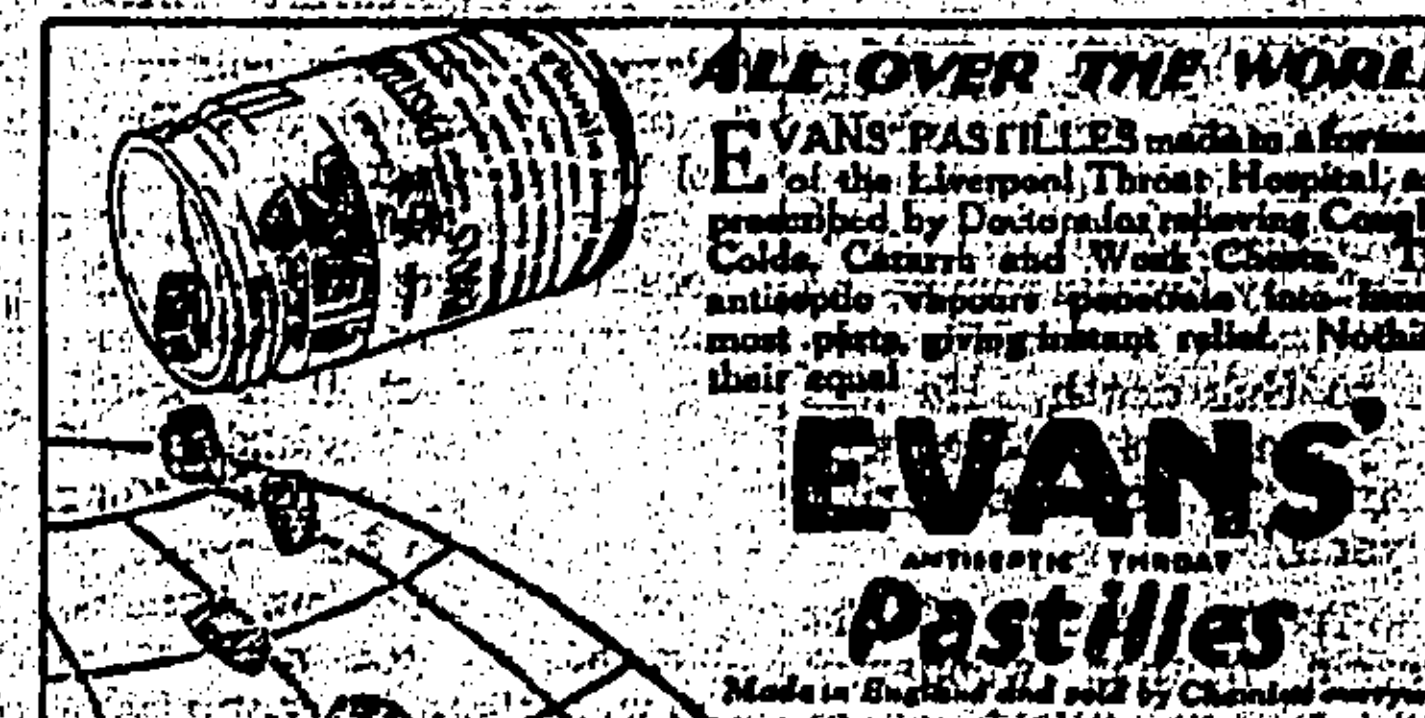
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# Sport Columns

## HERO-WORSHIP

IS IT OVERDONE IN SPOR?

### MODERATION ADVOCATED

In the dense crowds that attend cricket, football, baseball, and tennis matches, and in the hero-worship of athletes, some writers see a tendency to neglect the serious matters of the world. But to sustain the proposition that overmuch attention is given to sport it would, surely be necessary to show that the contests in athletic games or the training for them worked to the detriment of a nation. It is impossible to establish any such proposition, declares the "Brisbane Courier."

On the contrary it can readily be shown that the playing of these games assists in the building up of character, and that only when it is "all play and no work" can it be said that sport is harmful to a nation. Let us at once admit the force of the great precept—in all things moderation. When Mr. Rudyard Kipling wrote his well-remembered lines, about the cricketer and the footballer, it was said in his defence that he was calling attention more to the vast gathering of spectators of matches than to the players, that he desired those tens and hundreds of thousands to be employed in playing the games themselves rather than in looking at them. A neat powerful defence! But the great games of our days are really the culmination of any number of smaller games which have been played on quiet fields. Training for athletic contests admittedly calls for a great amount of restraint on the part of the contestants. Fair play is the rule on the field of sport, and the "good sport" is usually a man who is essentially and invariably honest in his business dealing.

### "Playing The Game"

The love of sport is innate in the Briton, and so far it cannot be alleged with any truth that that love of sport is carried to excess. All the world knows that at the stern call to arms British athletes were among the first to answer, and their deeds are recorded in the glorious annals of the War. But of this they do not speak. They had learned in their games that boasting is "not the thing." They played the game for their side, and played it as it ought to be played. Then when the War was over those who were left returned to their games. The outlook on games is changing. There was a time when the money-makers of the United States regarded an hour or a minute spent away from their counting houses as time lost, and the result was that when a visitor asked where the old men were he was told that they were in the cemetery. That has changed. The money-maker now wants his round on the links, and he is much the better for it—and so is the rest of the world.

### The Way To Keep Fit

Medical men have ever been fond of telling their patients that they must take more physical exercise, and no doubt physical exercise is necessary to most persons if they are to "keep fit" for the work of the world. All the great athletic games offer opportunities of thus "keeping fit." That is a fair answer to make to those who complain that time spent on sport is wasted. It is quite apparent that the exercise given by games improves the physique of the nation. Then the only question left is whether too much time is spent on sport. All work and no play would make a nation just as dull and listless as it is supposed to make the proverbial boy Jack. When it can be shown that by its devotion to sport a nation is

## BILLIARDS

CLAUDE FALKNER'S PLAY IN INDIA

### COMING HERE

Claude Falkner, who will shortly be visiting Hong Kong, concluded his tour of India on Dec. 14. In all his matches Falkner displayed fine form. The places played at and breaks made are as follows:—

Bombay Gymkana, 295, 128, Willington Club, 308, 168, 124, London Hotel, 116, 110, 96, 87, Elphinstone Club, 171, 163, 147, Hindu Gymkana, 169, 158, 124, 97, Grand Billiard Hall 289, 179, 146, 131, Ripon Club, 176, 160, 147, 116, Radio Club, 281, 209, 134, Commercial Gymkana, 250, 206, 105, Ascot Club, 282, 227, 110, Taj Mahal Hotel, 396, 192, 154, Parsee Gymkana, 397, 101, 84, Bombay Club, 171, 118, 82, 79, Carlton Hotel, Lucknow, 179, 163, 147, United Services Club, Lucknow, 182, 118, 87, Bengal Club, Calcutta, 220, 165, 149, Gt. Eastern Hotel, Calcutta, 292, 194, Calcutta Turf Club, 268, 166, 105, 97, Y.M.C.A., 314, 147, 89, Victoria Club, 272, 141, Saturday Club, 374, 160, 107, 97, United Services Club, 275, 134, 98.

## ERIC LIDDELL

ATHLETIC MISSIONARY WINS HIS RACE

### AND CATCHES STEAMER

Mr. Eric Liddell, the famous runner and footballer, who is now a missionary under the L.M.S. in China, has not (writes a correspondent to the "Christian World") altogether forsaken athletics. He recently crossed from Tientsin to take part in an international sports meeting in Japan, but discovered that his race, 400 metres, was timed to be run only a quarter of an hour before the steamer left for home. Mr. Liddell was the first past the winning post, but he ran on jumped into a taxi, and reached the dockside when the Tientsin boat was fifty yards away. He ran on, steeped in prayer, over the usual dockyard obstacles to the end of the dock, which the boat had to pass closely when rounding it. With a tremendous effort he leaped across fifteen feet of water and landed safely on the deck of the moving boat.

Unless a man is a good sport, he stands little chance in life. These young prisoners get physical exercises, gymnastics, and football at the end of the day's work, and this system is having a good all-round effect—Col. C. E. F. Rich, Governor or Walton Gaol.

neglecting his business, then the complaint can be trumpeted by any one who likes to trumpet it. Until then, and especially in British communities, we need not fear. Moderation is fairly well maintained, and the younger generation is showing itself as keen on the great sports of the world as was that generation which is now content to engage in the less energetic forms of athletic contest.

## LOCAL SCHOOLS

SOME INTERESTING FACTS AND FIGURES

### KOWLOON INSTITUTIONS

The British School at Kowloon, (Central British School) for boys and girls of British parentage, was opened by Major-General Sir William Julius Gascoigne on April 19, 1902. The building was erected and presented to the Government of the Colony by Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Mr. B. James (B.A., Oxon.) was the first Head Master and was succeeded by Mrs. Main as Head Mistress. In October, 1919, the present Head Master, Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, was appointed.

In February, 1921, owing to the great increase in the number of children attending the School, the Junior section of the School, consisting of 60 boys and girls, was transferred to the Arm School building at Gun Club Hill, Kowloon. An annex consisting of five Class Rooms was opened early in 1924, and four extra Class Rooms were added in 1928.

A Physics Laboratory was opened in December, 1923, and a Chemical Laboratory in December, 1924.

The Manual Instruction Classes have 5 carpenter's benches and 8 complete sets of tools, the gift of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company.

The School is well equipped with the most modern educational apparatus.

### The School Song

[Music by Dr. John Fenton: Words by Gladys Jackson.]

Waves that round the Homeland shores are breaking,  
Breezes tossing wavelets into curls,  
Echo friendship's songs, their music taking  
From the lips of Homeland boys and girls.  
Yet no songs, by Western waters aping,  
Hold the strains of fellowship that rise  
With more lusty strength than sways our singing  
Here beneath the glowing Eastern skies.

All around us Oriental wonder,  
In our hearts the wonderland of youth,  
In our lives the joy of marching under  
Golden flags of comradeship and truth.  
In the games we praise with open pleasure,  
In the volumes we profess to scorn,  
Finding precious memories to treasure  
Free and gay and honest as the dawn.

Ours the task to keep the chorus swelling,  
With a faith and spirit undimmed,  
Ours to show that honour finds a dwelling  
Not alone among the old and staid.  
Ours to cull, in working or in play-time,  
Ere life's morning merges into noon,  
All the brightest blossoms of youth's maytime  
From our school in far-away Kowloon.

### Staff

Head Master:—Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, (London University and Registered Teacher).

Assistant Masters:—Rev. G. E. S. Updell, M.A., (Camb.) Hon. C. F.; Mr. T. R. Rowell, B.Sc., Honours in Chemistry, and Diploma in Education, (Liverpool); Mr. H. H. Beddow, B.Sc., Honours in Pure Mathematics, (University of Wales); Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L.; Mr. E. N. Fensford, (Manual Instruction); Sergeant Marriott, (Boxing and Singletick); Mr. Li Hung-pin, (Chinese Language).

Assistant Mistresses:—Mrs. Nightingale, Miss Hall, A.R.D.S., Teacher Artist Certificate; Miss Bascombe, B.A. (Lond.); Diploma in Education, (Camb.); Miss Tasartes, B. Sc. L.; Ph.B., (University of Abk); Miss Brown, M.B.E., B.A., (Manchester); Diploma in Education, (Oxon.); Miss Munro, M.A., Honours in English, (Edinburgh); 'Diploma in Education, (Edinburgh); Miss Watts, B.A., Honours, M.A., (Lond.) M.A. Honours, (Edinburgh), Diploma in Education, (Camb.); Mrs. Key, M.A. (Glas.); Diploma in Education, (Glas.); Miss A. E. de D. Dyer, (Physical Instruction), 1st Class Diploma in Physical Training, with Distinctions in Swedish Drill and Games, and 1st Class Remedial and Massage Certificate, (Liverpool Physical Training College); Silver Award, Royal Life Saving Society; Mrs. M. Cooper, (Cookery); 1st Class Diploma in Cookery and Housewifery, (Glasgow).

Scholarships and Prizes

I. Presented by the Hong Kong Government.  
1. Class Scholarships—one in each Class.  
II. Other Scholarships

1. The Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company's Scholarships.  
2. The "J. R. M. Smith" Scholarship.

### III. Other Prizes.

1. The "War Memorial" Prize.  
2. Montargis French Prizes.  
3. Wyllie Competition Prize.  
4. Navy League Prize.  
IV. Open Scholarships.  
Central British School pupils are eligible to enter for the following Scholarships.

1. At the University of Hong Kong.  
(a) King Edward VII Scholarship.

(b) Education Scholarship.

2. "Peace Memorial" Scholarship.

### Sports, Games

Annual fee of \$6 is collected—\$2 at the commencement of each of the three terms—from all pupils, which entitles them to take an active part in all the games played. The money forms a fund from which the apparatus needed in the various games is bought. This fund was started in December 1920, by a donation of over \$600, part proceeds of a Bazaar and Fete organised by the Head Master, pupils, and friends of the school.

The School is divided into 6 Houses:—

Boys:—Nathan, Lugard, and May Houses.

Girls:—Bede, St. Dunstan's, and St. George's Houses.

The Gymnasium is in the large Hall, and contains a sliding boom, horizontal bar, horse, spring-board, mat, ropes, and punch-ball apparatus all presented by the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company.

Boxing and Singletick are popular and are under the direction of Sergeant Marriott.

Cricket and Hockey are played on the School ground at King's Park. The Committee of the Kowloon Football Club allow the use of their ground for football and hockey.

In summer there are Bathing Parties. All pupils learn to swim, and the School has turned out some of the best swimmers in the Colony.

### K.B.S.F.P.A.

In May, 1923, the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association was formed. The following Officers have been elected:—

President: Mr. A. E. Wood.

Past-President: Mr. E. Ralphs.

Vice-President: Mr. B. Wyllie, (Member of the Board of Education).

Committee: Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, (Chairman); Miss Woolley, Mr. J. King, (Secretary); Mr. E. Moses, (Treasurer); Miss M. Groundwater, Mr. T. Whitley, Mr. F. Angus, Mr. W. Chester.

It is hoped that all former pupils will join the Association. A copy of the rules may be obtained on application to the Hon. Secretary.

### The Junior School

A Preparatory Department was organised for children between the ages of 5 and 8, in February, 1921, when Classes 7 and 8 and Kindergarten were removed from the Senior School to the School at Gun Club Hill.

The examination of Class 7 for promotion to the Central School from the Junior Schools (Kowloon Junior, Victoria, Peak, Quarry Bay) is conducted jointly by the Head of the Central British School and the Heads of the Junior Schools concerned.

### Staff

Head Mistress:—Miss Cooper, B.A. (R.U.I.), Diploma in Education, (Camb.)

Assistant Mistresses:—Miss Grant, (Trained Certificated Mistress); Mrs. Woodward, (Trained Certificated Mistress); Mrs. Heath, (Trained Certificated Mistress); Mrs. Johnston, Miss George, Passed Student Teacher; Miss Whitley, Passed Student Teacher.

### School Hours

Classes 7 and 8, 8.45 a.m.—12.45 p.m. Infants, 8.45 a.m.—11.45 a.m. Saturdays included.

### Fees

Fees are payable by the term and in advance, on the following scale:—For the first child of one family in attendance—\$10 a term.

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Where children of the same family are attending both schools, the rules regulating the reduction of fees will be applied as if the children were all in attendance together at one of the schools.

Prospectus may be obtained on application.

Rear-Admiral Stots and his officers were guests of honour yesterday afternoon at a reception and social held at the residence of the French Consul, at which Mr. and Mrs. Dufauré de la Prade presided. There was a large number of prominent residents present. The Band of the "Fusiliers Michollet," Rear-Admiral Stots's flagship, was in attendance.

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Copenhagen ..... 18.18 1/4

Oslo ..... 18.19 1/4

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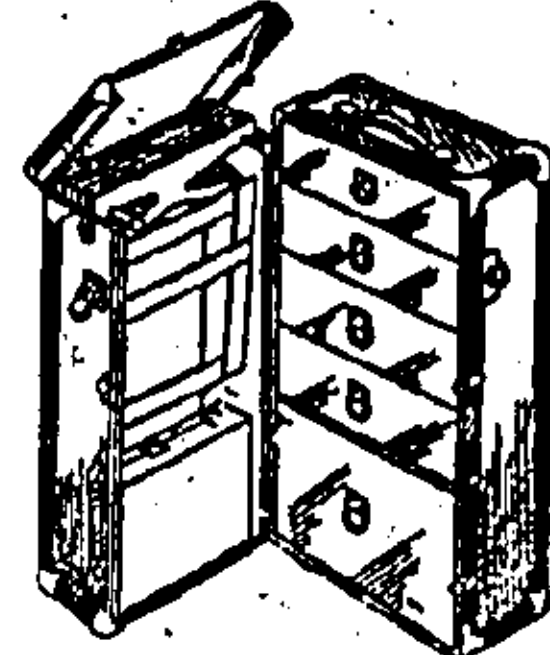
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## JAPANESE HIGH-GRADE



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

"Old Kate" Honoured by the King



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Led Revolt



Ivan Michailoff, a Macedonian revolutionary leader who threatened to march on Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria. His followers were incensed at the Macedonian policies of the Bulgarian government.

"Tiger" in Tears at Sister's Funeral



M. George Clemenceau (Premier of France during the War and Peace Conference), as he appeared at the funeral of his sister, Mme. Jacquet, on the outskirts of Paris. "The Tiger" wept bitterly as the coffin was lowered into the grave.

Left a Fortune



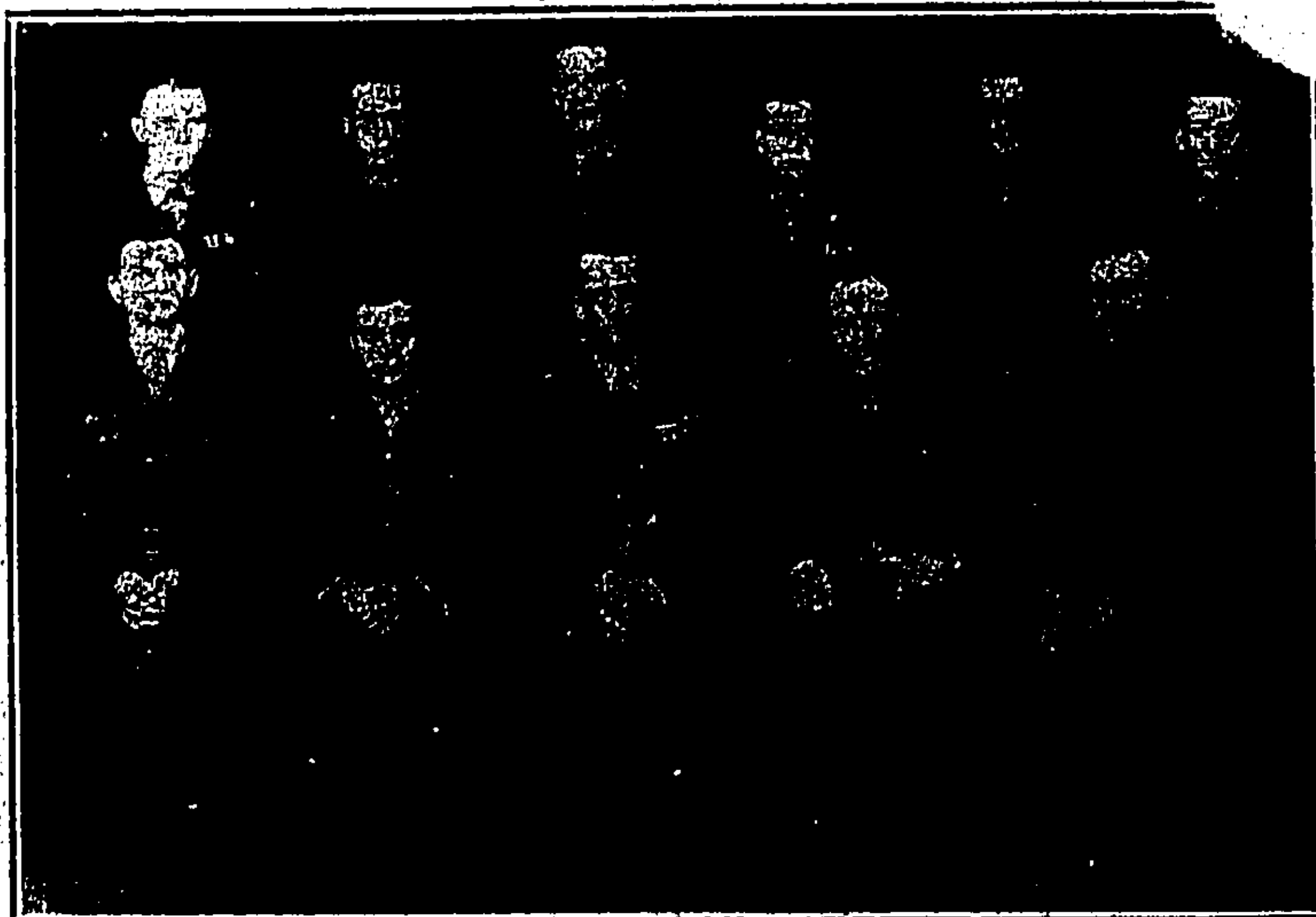
Mrs. Florence Maybrick, whom a British court sentenced to life imprisonment forty years ago for the alleged murder of her husband, has inherited \$146,000 under the will of Mr. Walter T. Burrell. She was released in 1906 after serving 16 years in prison. She intends to utilize her fortune to clear her name. Photo shows her as she appeared at the time of her conviction.

River Commission Head Entertained



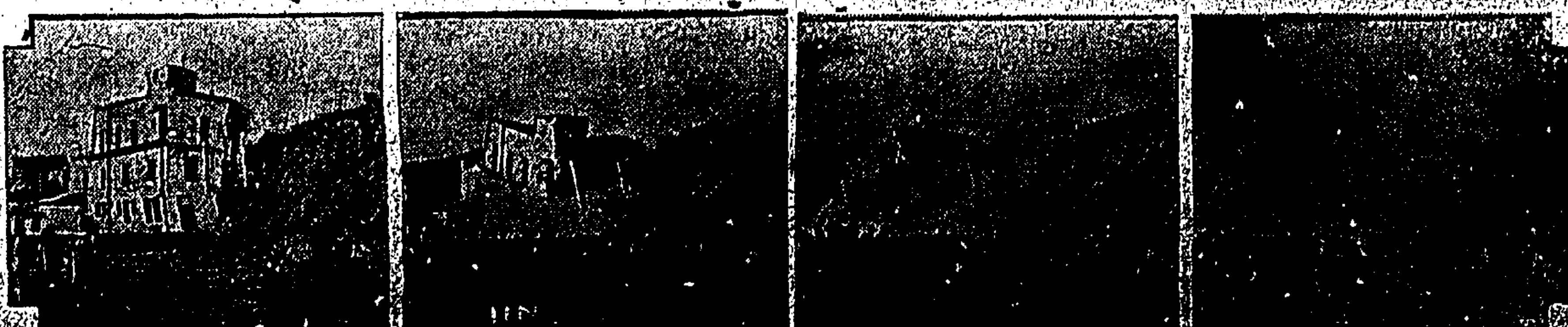
A luncheon was given in Shanghai in honour of Mr. Li Chung-kung, President of the Yangtze River Commission, by members of the Technical Committee, at the Majestic Hotel. Left to right, front row: Messrs. H. S. Sung, S. Y. Kung, S. S. Chao, Dr. H. Chutley, Capt. H. E. Hillman; second row: Messrs. Y. M. Kuo, G. C. Stroebe, Hsien C. Liu, J. Huston, Yang Chen; back row: Messrs. K. Y. Li, T. E. Chen, J. B. Powell, R. I. Hope, and L. G. Taylor. (Chung Hwa Studio).

Church Council



Of the 4th Regiment, U.S. Marine Corps, Shanghai. Left to right, front row: Mats G. O. Bowman, Capt. Hall, Lt.-Col. F. D. Kilgore (Commanding Officer), 1st Sgt. H. Garbary, Sgt. Hazelting; back row: Pte. O. G. Glascock, Harry Cliby, H. L. W. laborn, Capt. E. M. Melnhard, H. Jensen, and Pte. St. De aula. (Carson Studio).

Mt. Etna's Wrath Shown by a Film Camera



Here is another dramatic scene of the volcanic activity of Mt. Etna, Sicily, showing the destruction of a villa and the burning of the surrounding area.

To Wed a Nobleman



Miss Ruth Brady, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Cox Brady of New Jersey, is engaged to marry the Hon. Michael Scott, younger son of the late Viscount Encombe. Miss Brady's grandfather, the late Anthony Brady, amassed a \$4200,000,000 fortune in public utilities.

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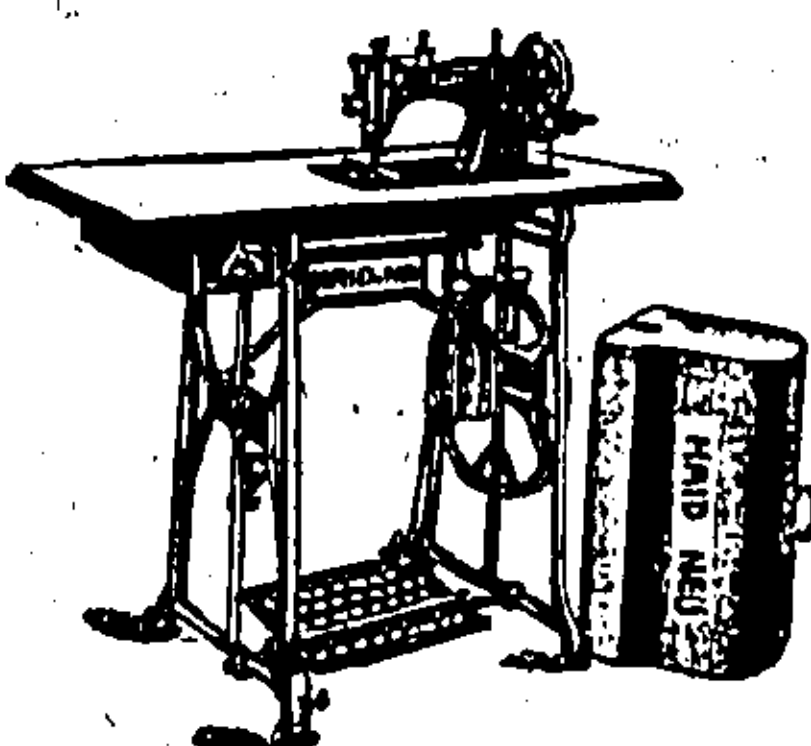
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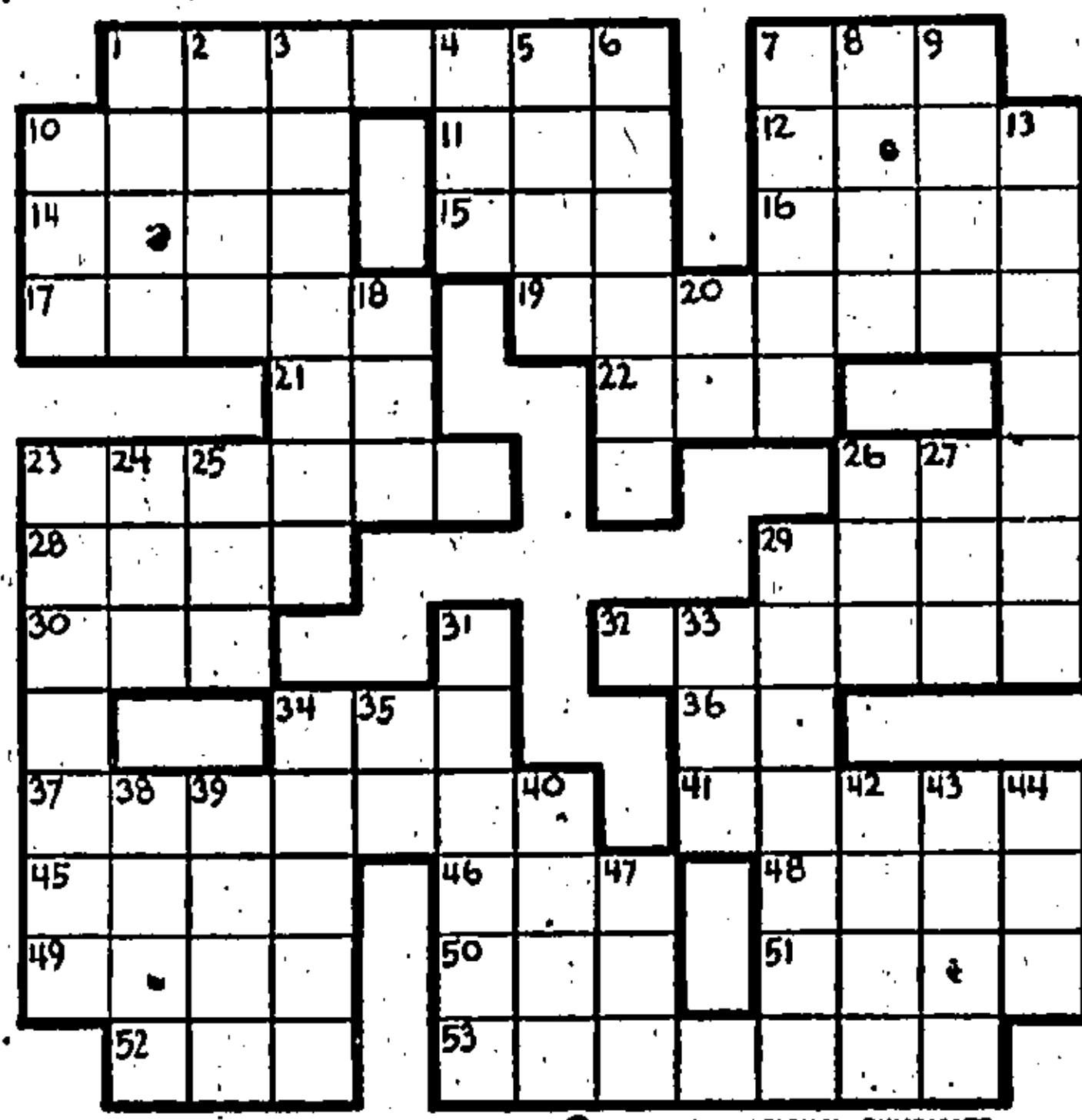
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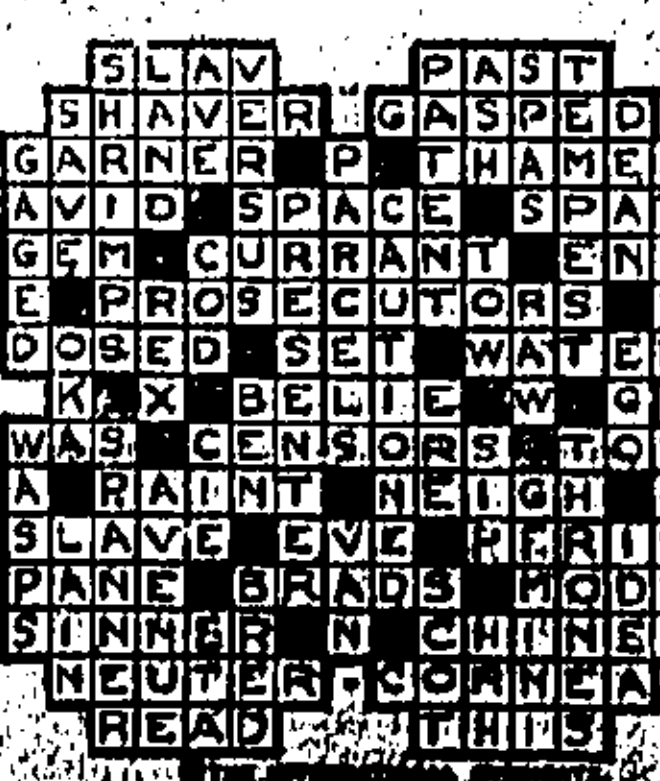
## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert  
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional  
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)

- |                     |                           |                      |
|---------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>HORIZONTAL</b>   | <b>HORIZONTAL (Cont.)</b> | <b>VERTICAL</b>      |
| 1-Part              | 41-Plunge                 | 15-Consumed          |
| 7-Spread            | 42-A bird                 | 20-Musical note      |
| 10-Possess          | 43-Small                  | 23-Visitor           |
| 11-Spring           | 44-Nominate               | 24-Man's name        |
| 12-Extent           | 45-Father                 | 25-Exclamation       |
| 14-Indigo plant     | 46-Head                   | 26-Fate              |
| 15-Came together    | 47-Cause to adhere        | 27-Defiance          |
| 16-Palafite         | 48-Sheltered side         | 28-Trimming          |
| 17-Plural of medium | 49-Robes                  | 29-Bolled            |
| 18-Purveyors        |                           | 30-Roy               |
| 21-Near             | <b>VERTICAL</b>           | 31-Mixup             |
| 22-Assert           | 1-Part of a window        | 32-Conjunction       |
| 23-Preserved        | 2-Egg                     | 33-Fasten            |
| 24-Existed          | 3-Confident               | 34-Weary             |
| 25-Ald              | 4-Bell                    | 35-Excessive         |
| 26-Conveyance       | 5-Monkeys                 | 36-Valley            |
| 27-Allow            | 6-Newest                  | 37-Gotrich-like bird |
| 28-Slopes           | 7-Score                   | 38-Pl.               |
| 29-Wisecrack        | 8-A lake                  | 39-Perceive          |
| 30-Like             | 9-Ruminant                | 40-Before            |
| 31-Pierced          | 10-Kind of meat           |                      |
|                     | 11-Aids                   |                      |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will  
appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word  
puzzle.)

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



## HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors  
the following list of some of the  
highest points on the Island and  
Mainland is published:

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1822
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1784
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1806
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Kowloon)	297
Taiwan Mountain	8124
Taiwan Mountain	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

## THE WORLD OF BOOKS

## "MAIL" REVIEWS

["Colton Grove Country," by Betty  
Trask, Hodder and Stoughton  
7/6.]

Elizabeth is at Paddington  
station awaiting the arrival of the  
train that will take her into  
Somerset, and she is very interest-  
ed in the smoke curling about over  
the platforms. The train arrives  
and her journey begins and is quite  
an ordinary train ride until "he"  
gets into the carriage. He is  
Quin, a tall youth, who was doomed  
from his first appearance to make a  
conventional entry into the story  
later. Elizabeth reaches her destina-  
tion immediately after she has  
found what she calls a lizard hang-  
ing from the rack in her carriage.  
She labels her dragon and adopts  
it.

She spends a holiday with her  
Aunt and does all that one should  
do on a holiday. The lizard fol-  
lows her around and crops up  
whenever she is alone. Quin again  
arrives and the inevitable occurs.  
Elizabeth, possibly the most inno-  
cent heroine ever portrayed, falls  
in love and the course of true love  
runs smooth. The holiday over  
she returns to Paddington with  
"the Dragon" which disappears  
directly she arrives at Paddington  
where she again becomes interested  
in the smoke.  
Definitely not an exciting book.

["Blues Eyes and Grey," by  
Baroness Orczy, Hodder and  
Stoughton 7/6.]

Amos Beyvin had fallen in love  
with Fay whilst in Canada. On  
his return to England he partially  
forgets her and visiting a night  
club with a lady friend is respon-  
sible for the death of a policeman  
engaged in raiding this particular  
club. He is arrested and senten-  
ced to penal servitude. The  
train en route to Dartmoor, in  
which Amos is travelling with two  
warders, is wrecked and he is saved  
by a nurse who he learns to call  
Blue Eyes. She enables him to es-  
cape to Canada where the remain-  
der of the story takes place.

Amos takes the name of Madoc  
and works on a farm and is respon-  
sible for breaking up a gam-  
bling den in his neighbourhood.  
He again meets Fay and also Blue  
Eyes. Although he has to suffer  
many rebuffs he finally marries  
Fay and the story ends in the con-  
ventional way.

Here we have Baroness Orczy in  
a new world. France and the  
Scarlet Pimpernel have nothing  
in common with this story, the  
plot of which is certainly hackney-  
ed and unfortunately not too inter-  
esting.

["A Perilous Elopement," by Mrs.  
Victor Rickard, Hodder and  
Stoughton.]

Mrs. Victor Rickard has in this,  
the latest addition to her novels,  
provided a most excellent example  
of her imaginative powers.

To tell the story would be to spoil  
the reading of the book, so let it  
suffice that throughout the three  
hundred odd pages there is a spice  
of mystery, that cannot fail to in-  
terest all readers of such stories.

The scenes are laid first in Eng-  
land and later at Dinard, where  
the main act is played out to a most  
exciting finish.

The criminal unfortunately es-  
capes but this is perhaps good news  
because we may possibly hear more  
of him in another novel.

[Reminiscences of An Old Civil  
Servant (1846-1927) By Sir  
John Murray Kemp, K.C.B.  
John Murray. 12s. net.]

The last few years have been  
quite notable for their production  
of volumes dealing with the inner  
sides of the Solomons Service.  
We have had its history, its habits  
and its humour; and now, close  
upon the death of Sir John Murray  
Kemp, K.C.B., we have his 60  
years' reminiscences as a Civil  
Servant.

This valuable compendium of a  
picturesque personality who, with  
his father, had personal relations  
with nine Prime Ministers of Eng-  
land, beginning with Lord Aber-  
deen, was a parting gift to the  
author's family and friends, begun  
during a short period of enforced  
rest and completed during the last  
year of his life. He did not live  
to see the book published; the last  
proof sheets were lying beside him  
when the summons came.

The book is no light record of  
insignificant facts or purely per-  
sonal memories. Neither is it an  
autobiography. Sir John himself  
best describes its province:

"I have been asked, in my 82nd  
year, to record some reminiscences  
of people and scenes connected with  
my life. My life has not been one  
like the career of a great man, to  
arouse the interest and curiosity of  
the reader to know by what means  
and by what steps his progress to  
greatness has been achieved. It  
has been a life of which the only  
interest was the life itself, and the  
only aim was to do the best I could  
in the various positions in which I  
was placed."

give of a long and, for a Civil Ser-  
vant, unusually varied career: not  
passed in the limelight, the witness-  
ing some vivid scenes at which  
only a limited number of people now  
living can have been present, and  
in touch with a somewhat unusual  
number of distinguished men.

An impression of the period in  
which Sir John spent his school-  
days is gathered from his early  
recollections of London: "Every  
morning an Isworth bus stopped  
at our door after breakfast, and  
the conductor, in a white top-hat,  
standing on a small step behind,  
holding on by a strap, descended  
and rang our bell if we were not  
ready, to rattle us over the macada-  
mized and sometimes cobbled roads,  
with straw on the floor to keep our  
feet warm. If we were not ready  
we had to wait, perhaps, five or ten  
minutes before another bus plodded  
leisurely up."

That is reminiscent enough, but  
even ten years later London was  
old-fashioned, and grimly so. It  
is, for instance, not easy to associate  
with the memory of a man who has  
just died scenes of such barbarity  
as this:

"Every morning my brother took  
bus from Piccadilly to St. Paul's.  
We occasionally had the disagree-  
able privilege of seeing, at the end  
of the street as we passed Old  
Bailey, a victim suspended from  
the gallows opposite Newgate; once  
there was the horror of the twelve  
bodies of the pirates of the Flowery  
Land swinging together. This  
barbarous exhibition was abolished  
before our school days came to an  
end."

In those days, even as now, St.  
James's Church, Piccadilly, was  
patronized by fashionable and  
wealthy worshippers. Of this  
church Sir John's father was rector,  
and the author recalls many  
activities long since forgotten.  
The rector initiated a "Monthly Con-  
ference" which attracted laymen  
and notabilities alike. Among the  
visitors were Matthew Arnold and  
Lord Lytton. All shades of  
opinion were welcomed at the meet-  
ings, but the "Broad Church" ele-  
ment seem to have been so strongly  
represented that the debates were  
of a very lively character. "As the  
years went on this element became,  
in my father's opinion, rather too  
predominant. Also there arose a  
demand by a younger generation for  
something a little more free and  
easy, and a new society was formed  
in which smoking and jugs  
of beer were allowed at the meet-  
ings. In the fullness of time, the  
older-fashioned and more dignified  
conferences came to an end."

Among the distinguished and  
frequent attendants at St. James's  
was the Commander-in-Chief, the  
old Duke of Cambridge.  
"He generally occupied a seat in  
a pew reserved for stray bishops in  
front of the Rector's pew. One  
Sunday the old Archbishop of  
Armagh sat next to him, and the  
Duke, seeing that he had no hymn  
book, offered a share of his. I  
was told (I did not hear it myself)  
that the Duke was heard to wish-  
per in a loud tone (he was always  
emphatic in his language): "Damn  
it, sir, you are singing the wrong  
hymn!"

In 1864, Sir John went to Trinity  
College. Three years later, Lord  
Derby, the Prime Minister, nomi-  
nated him for limited competition for  
a vacancy in the Treasury. He  
passed his examinations against  
great odds, and was duly installed  
among a body of about forty men,  
most of whom became eminent  
statesmen in their day.

From this point onwards the  
book is one long record of events in  
a life of public service and a career  
of unusual distinction. Sir John's  
share in the financial administration  
of the Civil Service throws fresh  
light on its much-discussed relations  
with the Treasury, and a pic-  
turesque aspect is added by the de-  
scription of his travels round the  
coasts of the United Kingdom, on  
the inspection of the Customs ports  
and as a member of the Royal  
Commission on Communication with  
Lighthouses, which he has illustrated  
with some of his own sketches.

In his capacity of Deputy Chair-  
man of the Customs Board Sir  
John was involved in numerous  
tours of investigation. Some of  
these proved startling in their re-  
velations. But, of all institutions,  
the Customs House museum was un-  
doubtedly the most entertaining.

"In those days we had in the  
Customs House a museum of objects  
in which smuggled goods had been  
discovered. It had probably been  
originally intended for initiating  
the examining officers into the art  
of the smuggler, but it had become  
also an exhibition for the public,  
and we decided to abolish it. The  
devices included life-boats, hollow  
out bottles, hollow brooms, and  
numerous other articles which it  
would be too tedious to describe.  
But even more simple devices could  
be made. The source of a smuggler's  
income was the duty on the goods  
smuggled in. One of the most com-  
mon devices was a small tin box  
which was smuggled in, and the  
goods were smuggled out in the  
box."

of one of the Channel steamers. A  
candid old sailor remarked at the  
investigation of the case, "Well,  
it's time you found it. Why, that  
lamp has come across full of  
cigars every day for the last twenty  
years." If this was true, half a  
pound of cigars a day would repre-  
sent, at the then rate of duty, a  
profit of some £45 a year, to the  
smuggler, and the boats often made  
the double passage twice a day."

While on the Lighthouse Com-  
mission, Sir John was granted  
£500 for experiments in wireless,  
just invented by Marconi. "It  
gives me to think," he says, "of  
the extraordinary changes which the  
innumerable discoveries in the ap-  
plication of electricity have made in  
the world during a single genera-  
tion; and yet we do not know what  
electricity is! Mr. Breece, while on  
broad the "Enchantress," once told  
us a story . . . of a Professor who  
was lecturing upon an electrical  
subject and thought one of his  
listeners was dropping off to sleep.  
Mr. Jones, what is electricity?  
"Electricity, sir, I have forgotten!"  
"Gentleman," said the lecturer, this  
is indeed a misfortune to mankind.  
We have among us one who once  
knew what electricity is, and he  
has forgotten!"

In recognition of his services on  
the Board of Customs, the author  
was, in 1900, granted the dignity of  
a C.B. All those who at the same  
time were to receive investiture at  
Windsor Castle had a small book  
fitted in readiness on the left  
breast:

"I sat next to Sir H. Ponsonby,  
and he explained to me that former-  
ly Her Majesty used to fix the  
order on to the chest with a safety  
pin, but on one occasion the re-  
cipient was an Indian Rajah, clad  
in a tight-fitting golden gown.  
Her Majesty, in pinning on the  
order, took up a fold of his skin  
with his garment, and ran the pin  
through it. The Rajah had the  
nerve to make no sign until he got  
out of the presence chamber, when  
he fainted. After that, the device  
of the book was adopted."

The "Reminiscences of an Old  
Civil Servant" is a very entertain-  
ing and instructive volume, for  
it throws light on past activities of  
a service whose operations, though  
essentially solemn, are not alto-  
gether devoid of the human touch.

—H.J.F.

Two books of occasional papers  
just appearing have their own out-  
of-the-way appeal. The first,  
"Waysides and Byways," by Mr.  
Arthur L. Salmon, is a group of  
reveries on the smaller cross  
fortunes of life. They concern  
simple people—the vicar,  
the doctor, the monk, the soldier—and  
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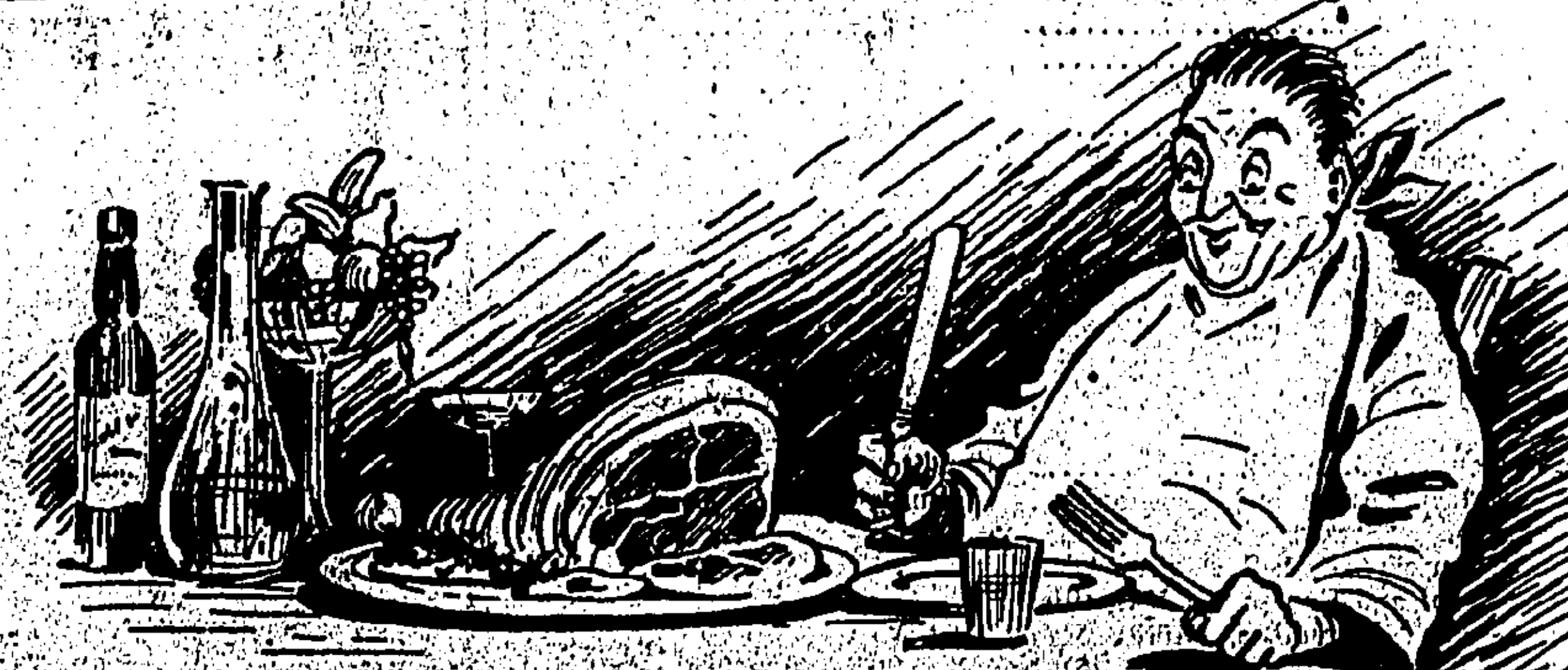
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From MONDAY, JANUARY 14.  
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and papers, London, 13th Dec., 1928) Tilawa  
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai President Jefferson  
Manila President McKinley  
Shanghai and Amoy Chenan  
Manila Empress of France

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15.  
Straits and London (Parcel Mail, London, 22nd Nov.) Ningchow  
Saigon Sphinx  
Shanghai Athos II.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16.  
Straits Yuensang

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17.  
Australia and Manila Mishima Maru

#### OUTWARD MAILS.

For SATURDAY, JANUARY 12.

Straits and Calcutta. Parcels 4.00 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.  
Saigon Kutsang 4.30 p.m.  
Sam Shui and Wuchow Telomachus 4.30 p.m.  
Fort Bayard Kong Ning 4.30 p.m.  
Manila Sunkong 5 p.m.  
Shanghai, Wei Hai Wei, Dainy & Pres. van Buren 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13.

Sandakan Mausang 8.30 a.m.  
Bangkok via Swatow Kiangsu 9 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Hozan Maru 9 a.m.  
Formosa Trier 9 a.m.  
Fort Bayard Tin Sze 9 a.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 14.

Swatow Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco-due San Francisco, 6th Feb. and Europe via Siberia. Parcels (Jan. 14) 5 p.m. Registration (Jan. 15) 9.45 a.m. Letters (Jan. 15) 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15.

Amoy President McKinley 1 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow Sinkiang 1 p.m.  
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles-due Marseilles, 15th Feb. K.P.O. Registration (Jan. 15) 1 p.m. Letters (Jan. 15) 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration (Jan. 15) 1.45 p.m. Letters (Jan. 15) 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai and Japan Athos II. 1.30 p.m.  
Manila President Jefferson 4.30 p.m.  
Swatow Chakung 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16.

Holbow, Pakhoi and Halphong Tean 8.30 a.m.

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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### EFFORTS IN BUILDING A NAVY

#### CHINESE PLAN

#### AUSTRALIAN COMMENTS ON NATIONALIST PROGRAMME

##### ON MANOEUVRES

Under captions that include such as "Don't Smile" and "In Earnest," the Sydney "Sun" publishes the following:-

It has generally been the fashion to smile whenever the Chinese Navy is mentioned, but Nationalist China is striving in earnest to build up a strong and efficient navy that will, in the words of Rear-Admiral Chen Kuo-Kwan of the Nationalist fleet, "put China in her proper place amongst the leading nations of the world."

Recently the entire second fleet of the Nationalist Navy swung into action off Swallow Rock, near Nanking, for eight-day "official" manoeuvres, which included inspection, target practice, battle formation, landing, defence against air raids, and submarine attack.

##### Tactics

As most of these ships have been taking part in the civil wars during recent years, no group inspection or practice had been held for a long time, and Rear-Admiral Chen Kuo-Kwan has now adopted a programme of keeping his men well trained in naval tactics and of making a thorough and regular inspection of all warcraft. Those that need overhauling or repairing will be sent to the naval dock at Shanghai.

The opening of the manoeuvres found all the officers gathered on the main deck of the flagship. The ship's band then played patriotic airs, while obeisance was made to a large framed picture of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, this being followed by Admiral Chen reading the last will of the Father of the Chinese Revolution.

##### Most Exciting

Later, there followed various exercises, including collision drill, when a hole was supposed to have been made in the hull of the flagship. It took only five minutes to cover the imaginary hole with a heavy collision-mat, and then to rescue three men who had fallen overboard, the latter operation including lowering the lifeboats, effecting the rescue, and hoisting the boats back to their original positions.

The most exciting moment came when the fleet engaged in battle with an imaginary enemy fleet. The decks were cleared for action, and a mimic sea-fight followed. Anti-aircraft guns fired at invisible aeroplanes which were attempting to raid Nanking. Sailors rushed back and forward to put out fires that were supposed to have broken out during the engagement. Admiral Chen, who was trained in the British Navy, issued orders from the bridge of his flagship.

### OFFICERS AND THEIR TICKETS

#### LOCAL LIST

#### MASTERS, MATES & ENGINEERS WHO HAVE PASSED

##### 58 CERTIFICATES ISSUED

To-day's "Gazette" issues the following list of Masters, Mates and Engineers, who have passed their Examinations and obtained Certificates of Competency, issued under the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of December 31, 1883, for the year ending December 31, 1928.

Roland Charles Raymond Brass, 1st Mate, s.s.; Thomas Craig Malcolm, 1st Class Engineer; Thomas Stewart Fraser, 2nd Class Engineer; Joseph William Edmund Tonkin, 2nd Class Engineer; John William Jenkins, Master, s.s.; Charles Edward Cleaver, Master, s.s.; Alexander Houghton, Master, s.s.; John George Wood, 1st Class Engineer; William Fisher Dixon, 2nd Class Engineer; Daniel Bousfield, 1st Mate, s.s. (Provisional); Eric Malcolm Gellie, Master, O.C. (1st Copy); John Cromby, 1st Class Engineer; David Ruxton, 2nd Class Engineer; Harry Lumisdend Russell, 2nd Class Engineer; Thomas Alfred Orde, 2nd Class Engineer; James Hutchison Cameron, 1st Class Engineer (1st Copy).

Redvers Endicott Smith, Master, O.C.; Cecil Albert Bickford, 2nd Class Engineer; John Barlow Hodge, 1st Mate, s.s.; Edwin John Grainger, 2nd Class Engineer; James McAulay, 1st Class Engineer; John Adams Duggan, 1st Class Engineer; Alexander McNair Marshall, 1st Class Engineer; Emmanuel Kewell, 1st Class Engineer; Charles Michael Harloe, 1st Class Engineer; William Pearson Barclay, 1st Class Engineer; John Robert Macpherson, 2nd Class Engineer; James McCloskie, 2nd Class Engineer; James Arthur Kent, 2nd Class Engineer; William Inwood Hamilton, 1st Class Engineer.

George Joseph Ariste L'Evevre, Master, O.C.; Walter Ramsay Grant, 2nd Class Engineer; Charles Moore, 2nd Class Engineer; James Victor Saint, Master, s.s.; Leslie St. John Rail, 2nd Class Engineer; Donald Alfred Glover, 1st Class Engineer; Joseph Stuart Scott, 1st Mate, s.s.; Donald Vernon Duncanson, Master, s.s.; Hugh Beck, 1st Class Engineer; Duncan Cook Murchie, 2nd Class Engineer; Geoffrey Edmund Frank Beck, 1st Mate, s.s.; Jeremiah James O'Callaghan, 2nd Class Engineer; Stewart Spillsbury Marr, Master, s.s.; John Macdonald, 1st Class Engineer; John George Henderson, 2nd Class Engineer.

Albert Edward Alexander Macleod, 1st Mate, s.s.; John

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### FLOATING 'VARSITY' ARRIVES

#### THE "VAN BUREN"

#### FACULTY & STUDENTS INVADE HONG KONG

##### CIRCLING THE GLOBE

The flag of the Floating University—an albatross against a blue sky and a blue sea—was flying in the breeze on the foremast of the round-the-world steamship "President Van Buren," as the liner nosed its way into the harbour early this morning her decks lined with young men and women students from the States.

Dr. A. E. Ross, director of education, in an interview with our correspondent, said of the Floating University:

"Thus far the educational cruise has been successful in every way. I wish to emphasize to you the fact that it is a real university and not just a pleasure jaunt."

"Classes are held daily aboard ship just as they are held in any university on land, and the students are graded strictly according to their work. The students behave themselves admirably and I must say that I really have never seen a better lot anywhere. The student body is organized and self-governing."

##### "Shore Leave"

The students were given "shore leave" this morning so that they could take advantage of Hong Kong's many shops. This is their last opportunity in the Far East to purchase what they need, and they have been saving up for the occasion.

In the afternoon the whole group strolled through Victoria and went up to the Peak to view the marvellous panorama of Hong Kong that can be seen from that vantage point. All of them are eagerly waiting to see Hong Kong illuminated from the sea to the top of the Peak at night, which they have been told is one of the finest sights in the world.

##### Mr. Greenlee Back

The Floating University is under the Presidency of Mr. Sydney Greenlee who spent many years in the Orient and is well known in China. Mr. Greenlee who was in Hong Kong a week or so ago on the s.s. "President Wilson" is travelling ahead of the university and making arrangements for educational contacts.

The faculty and students on the "President Van Buren" compose what is known as the "Java Division" of the Floating University. After Hong Kong they will visit Manila, Malaya, and then spend about two weeks in Java, later returning to Siam and connecting with the main body of the Floating University which is due to arrive in Hong Kong on the s.s. "President Jefferson" on January 14.

##### The Faculty

The complete faculty of the university numbers 16 members, and the student body 95, representing some 24 states and 36 different universities of the United States.

Among the courses of study offered on the Floating University are sociology, economics, education, religions of the Orient, geology and geography, Oriental literature, art, languages, history and government, history of Oriental art, psychology and philosophy.

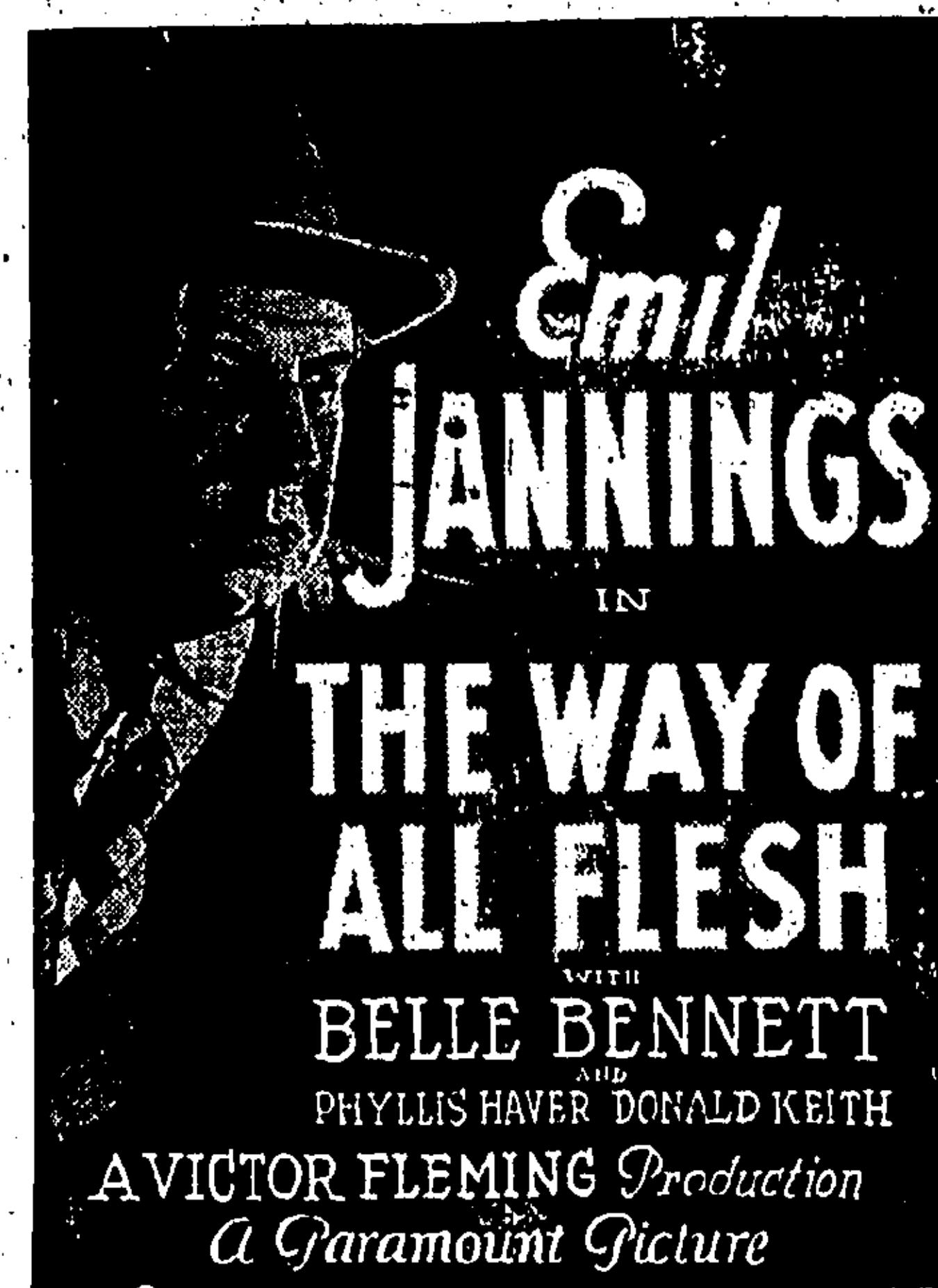
Mr. C. A. Raikes, who is the Cruise Director of the Floating University has visited Hong Kong on three previous world tours, and said he never fails to appreciate the beauties of our Island Colony.

After its visit here the university will continue on its way westward, following the path of the setting sun to Europe via India, and the Near East, and will return to New York sometime the end of June of this year.

Arthur Johnson, 2nd Mate, s.s.; John Tolmie, 1st Mate, s.s.; Leonard Hamilton Johnston, 1st Mate, s.s.; James William Bennett, Master, s.s.; Donald Charles Cameron, Master, s.s.; Walter Crooble Murray, 2nd Class Engineer.

John Richard Lilley, Master, s.s.; William Anderson, Allan, 2nd Class Engineer; Stewart Inglis Gibb, 1st Class Engineer; James Shiel, Master, s.s.; James Herbert Swan Duncan, 2nd Class Engineer; Kenneth McDonald, 2nd Class Engineer.

### A MOVING PICTURE THAT MOVES!



AT THE **QUEEN'S** FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY.  
AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

DANCING MASTER—TAXI DRIVER—BOXER—LOVER—HERO  
—FAINTHEART—VICTOR! BUT, ABOVE ALL, A FIGHTER  
WITH A FIGHTER'S HEART!

## REGINALD DENNY

IN  
**ON YOUR TOES**  
AT THE **WORLD** FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY  
AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.15 & 9.20.

### A GREAT COMEDIAN'S GREATEST COMEDY!

## Harold Lloyd Safety Last

AT THE **STAR** FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY.  
At 5.15 & 9.20.  
CHILDREN'S MATINEE, AT 2.30 P.M.  
**THE WOLF'S TRAIL.**

### MR. LLOYD GEORGE

#### TO GO ON A YACHTING CRUISE

#### RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS

##### London, Yesterday.

It is learned that Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, has decided to go for a yachting cruise in the Mediterranean. With his family he will leave London on Sunday morning.

The attack of influenza, which Mr. Lloyd George has had was severe, and he is anxious to be quite fit for the arduous election campaign that he intends to undertake as soon as he returns.

If the weather is sufficiently good the yacht will go to the Dardanelles. Mr. Lloyd George is particularly anxious to visit the scene of what was one of the most heroic and one of the most tragic chapters in the annals of British history.—British Wireless Service.

### JAPANESE RIOTS

#### 8,000 PEASANTS PRESENT PETITION

#### MOBE ARRESTS

##### Osaka, Yesterday.

Three thousand peasants and their leaders marched to the Gifu prefectural office to-day, 70 of them interviewing the Governor, who gave no assurance that the villagers' petition would be heard. There was no riot, the crowd waiting outside patiently.

The public procurators have arrested 80 persons in connection with Tuesday's riots.—Reuter.

#### NEXT CRIMINAL SESSIONS

It is notified in to-day's "Gazette" that the next Criminal Sessions for the dispatch of the business of the Court shall be held on Monday, January 22, 1929, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.